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PARLIAMENT—THE QUEEN'S SPEECH.

LONDON, Feb. 6.—Parliament opened shortly to-day, when the Queen's speech was as follows:

My Lords and Gentlemen:

I avail myself of the opportunity offered by your meeting for the discharge of your momentous duties to renew the expression of my sincere satisfaction at the deliverance of the United States from the most imminent danger, and the successful issue of the profound anxiety and misgiving of the people during the days of trial. I am thankful to say that on Tuesday, the 27th instant, commissioners appointed in accordance with the usages of forms and practices scarcely to be surpassed from slave trading, are still pursuing their labors the quarter of the world, and I have directed the attention of my Government to the Islands, the name of the Archipelago is even now dishonored, by continued subjection of the inhabitants to these practices, and in one of them the murderous piratic habit has cast fresh light upon the baneful consequences. With the hope of facilitating the trial of this case in Australia. Endeavors have been made to increase in other forms the communication of this evil.

Communications have passed between my Government and that of France on the subject of the Treaty concluded in 1860, and I propose in the views respectively entertained in relation to the value of protective correspondence with the view to such modification of that important Convention as may, however, have unfortunately declared desirable that nothing shall occur to disturb the cordiality which has so long existed between the nations. The papers relative to these subjects will be laid before you.

Treaties have been concluded, pursuant to the decision of Washington, for the purpose of amicably settling the Alabama claims, have held meeting in Geneva. Blanks were handed to arbitrators on behalf of each party to enable them to submit to the Tribunal the claims of their respective governments. In the case of the Alabama claims, as it is to be presented by the British Government, it is included which it is said to be within the competence of the arbitrators. On this subject I have had friendly communication to be made to the Government of the United States. The Government has undertaken to submit to the San Juan water question to the decision of the Emperor of Germany has been accepted by both governments have been presented to the Emperor. The Commission to at present has been appointed and is proceeding with the inquiry, which relates to the interest of the Parliament out of the Council of Canada awaits its assembling.

Gentlemen of the House of Commons: I am glad to appeal to you at a very few exceptions, to the estimates for the service of the year. I am also to congratulate you on the general prosperous condition of the nations which are corroborated by a progress not inconsiderable.

My Lords and Gentlemen: Your attention is the consequences of acknowledged national shortcomings in Scotland; and to the amendment of the law for fixing regulations of the Universities of Scotland. I am confident that you will give to the subject the attention it deserves, together with a measure for the amendment of the law relating to the disturbance of public worship.

I commend these bills for the consideration of Parliament, and I feel assured that you will approach the discharge of your momentous duties in a spirit suitable to the circumstances of the country, and that you will be guided by the wisdom and forbearance which have hitherto characterized the proceedings of the Imperial Parliament.

The Queen's speech was received with cheers in the House of Lords. The speech was read by Chancellor Hatherly.

There was a full attendance of members at the opening of the House of Commons to-day. The House had returned from the House of Lords, and the usual bill for the abolition of the Game Laws was introduced by Mr. Dent.

Mr. Disraeli, member for Bath, introduced a resolution, looking to the amelioration of the condition of inebriates.

Sir A. Milbank, member for the North Riding of Yorkshire, gave notice of his intention of moving a resolution asking Sir Charles Dilke if he shared in the sentiments expressed in his speech delivered at Newcastle-and other places in the recess of Parliament.

Mr. Gladstone then rose and called the attention of the House to a paragraph of the royal speech in relation to the arbitration of the Alabama claims.

He acknowledged at some length upon the part of Washington, for faults of which he said the Foreign Secretary, Earl Granville, and the Premier, Gladstone, were in no way responsible. In view of the developments that had been made by the assemblage of arbitrators at Geneva, Disraeli wanted to know whether the Government were not entitled to the assistance of the edifying counsel and had given to Parliament on the subject. The Royal speech was signally unsatisfactory, showed, in his opinion, that the Government lacked the proper appreciation of the gravity of the question at issue between England and the United States. The American claims were greater than those which would follow a war of conquest. They were preposterous and impractical, and, if admitted, would be fatal to the power and honor of England. Yet, said Disraeli, sneeringly, the whole matter is disposed of in one brief paragraph of the Royal speech.

Gladstone followed in reply. He said the House of Washington itself shows that England ought to make every concession, short of national honor, to establish friendly relations with the United States, and set an example to be followed by other nations henceforth. The Government, he said, is ready to explain everything in connection with the treaty, but will not admit that it has already made a mistake. The paragraph in the Queen's speech, he said, was the only fair and unmistakable interpretation of the treaty. He could, if he chose, refer to the preposterous character of the American claims, which, of itself, proved their falsity, but they were such that no people in the world, in the lowest depths of barbarism, with the spirit of the people of England in their hearts, could ever submit to.

The discussion was concluded by saying the Government maintained the position it had taken in England in a friendly manner.

AN AFTER-DINNER SPEECH.

LONDON, Feb. 6.—At the banquet of the Liberal Club, last night, William McArthur, M. P., made a speech referred to the Alabama claims, and he censured the claims of the United Government for indirect damages.

THE PRESS ON THE ENGLISH PRESS.

NEW YORK, Feb. 6.—A special from London to-day, dated yesterday, says: The Treaty of Washington has been a perfect understanding between the signatory parties. It is with the utmost reluctance that we contemplate a possibility that the reference of this question to the Arbitration Court will come to nothing, and that there will remain nothing of the expectations thus raised of a successful issue of the case. A satisfactory answer from Washington, excluding the American claim for indirect damages, cannot be anticipated. The misunderstanding which will thus be definitely established between us and the United States can have no sequel but the abandonment of the reference for arbitration."

LONDON, Feb. 6.—The *Times* reprints, without a word of explanation or comment, the report of the Queen's Speech published in the *Pall Mall Gazette*.

The *Morning Advertiser* also copies this speech, and adds: "The foregoing is a clear anticipation. In America it will create a powerful impression, which will only be mitigated when the speech, as actually delivered, is published."

It is reported that the American Government has ordered a large number of sea torpedoes of English manufacturers.

The *Times* this morning preserves the tone of moderation which it assumed yesterday, on the subject of the American claims. It deprecates the intemperate denunciations of the treaty, and hopes it will lead to no hasty action. The present duty of English statesman is to say or do nothing likely to prejudice any attempt to remove the misunderstanding.

The *Daily Telegraph* pronounces the claim for indirect damages indefensible, inadmissable, and baseless. It regrets any hesitation on the part of the London press to stigmatize these demands as they deserve. The intention of England cannot be too strongly impressed on the United States. The *Telegraph* feels convinced that the American Government will withdraw its extraordinary demand.

THE AMERICAN SIDE.

NEW YORK, Feb. 6.—A Washington despatch says that advices from Minister Schenck confirm the statement that the attacks on the Washington Treaty were instigated by the Gladstone Government to offset the attacks of the Tories, to the effect that England was overmatched in the Alabama negotiations. Another view indicated by Mr. Schenck is that the English flurry is all gotten up to prejudice the arbitrators against the American case.

There have been rumors in circulation in Washington that the English press has been made the vehicle of a stock jobbing enterprise. Secretary Boutwell says the whole thing is a job.

The President stated yesterday that the demand of the English Government, that the Confederate loan be considered as a proper claim, is contrary to the Constitution. The suggestion which the President has heard would be acceptable were England to withdraw. The chain of consequential damage was one which had been submitted to the Joint High Commission, as which time the American Government indicated its willingness to accept a gross sum in lieu of such demands, but the proposition was rejected.

The Cabinet to-day discussed, in an informal manner, the recent reports from England, with reference to the Treaty of Washington. There was a unanimity of sentiment to adhere to the sentiments of the Government, relative to the adjustment of the Alabama claims. At that time, the reference to the subject in the Queen's speech was not known.

There was throughout the day many inquiries in all circles as to the tone of the speech toward the United States, and general satisfaction was expressed when it was ascertained to be friendly. There is no disposition, however, in any quarter to consent to a modification of the position our Government has taken.

FRANCE.

PARIS, Feb. 6.—It is stated that LeFrane will succeed Casimer Periere as Minister of the Interior. Louis Joseph Martel is mentioned as the successor of LeFrane.

Ponyer Quertier is now ready to pay the fourth half milliard of the German war indemnity, which is due on the 1st of May.

The Assembly is discussing a motion for the establishment of a Provisional Commission to govern the country in case the Assembly is illegally dissolved. The debate is tumultuous.

LONDON, Feb. 6.—A special despatched from Paris says that Thiers was shot last night, but not hurt. His assasin escaped.

The Committee on Capitulations have completed the examination of Marshal Bazaine.

MM. Dufonre and Jarey decline the Ministry of the Interior.

A schism has broken out among the clergy of Paris on account of the extreme ultramontanism of the new Archbishop.

The resignation in the Cabinet caused by the resignation of Cassimer Periere from the Ministry of the Interior has been filled by the appointment to the position of M. Le Frane, the present Minister of Commerce. Gautard, now French Minister to Italy, is appointed the successor of Le Frane.

Calcacay, late Italian Minister to the United States, is now in Paris. He will leave for St. Petersburg on Sunday next.

The Roads between Paris and Versailles were patrolled by a strong military force on Sunday and Monday nights.

The *Patrie* says the German Government has notified France of its willingness to accept a French Colony in part payment of the war indemnity.

GREAT BRITAIN.

LONDON, Feb. 6.—The demonstration at Trafalgar Square, by the supporters of Sir Charles Dilke, was attended with comparative quiet. Processions, numbering at least 14,000 persons, many of whom wore Parygian caps, marched to Trafalgar Square. Numerous red flags were borne thoroughfares in the line, and the bands played the Marseillaise.

NEW YORK, Feb. 6.—A special from London says: The bill to abolish the Polynesian coolie slave trade will be introduced in Parliament at this session.

LONDON, Feb. 6.—Sir William Stirling Max well was installed yesterday rector of the University of Edinburgh.

Captain John Philip Nolan, the Home-Rule candidate, has been elected to Parliament from Galway.

Mr. F. S. Powell, Conservative candidate, is elected from the West Riding of Yorkshire.

MEXICO.

CITY OF MEXICO, Jan. 30.—The Parrista rebels have been defeated in the State of Vera Cruz. The Government troops whipped Negrete and other insurgents near Lulancango. The adherents of Porfirio Diaz, who captured Oaxaca, have been pardoned. The horsethorts of Felix Diaz is unknown.

A World's Fair in the City of Mexico is projected.

A Puebla train was recently attacked by highwaymen, who robbed the passengers and stripped them of their clothing. The robbers kidnapped six of the passengers and maltreated others.

Juarez has purchased two revenue steamers to prevent the smuggling of silver on the Pacific coast.

Romero is sick.

ITALY.

ROME, Feb. 5.—The Cardinal Antonelli is sick, but there is nothing in his complaint to excite apprehension.

FLORENCE, Feb. 6.—Madame Bistori, the celebrated *tragedienne*, was injured by a railroad accident last night.

SPAIN.

MADRID, Feb. 6.—Several Communist refugees from France have been arrested in Barcelona.

UTAH.

Courtesies Extended to the Japanese Embassy at Salt Lake.

SALT LAKE, Feb. 6.—The Japanese Embassy were formally received at the City Hall to-day, by the Federal, territorial, and municipal authorities. A speech of welcome was read by Mayor Wells, and responded to by Minister Delong. Governor Woods, Secretary Black, Chief Justice McKean, Associate Justices Strickland and Lowley, General Maxwell, Marshal Patrick, and other prominent personages were present.

To-morrow the Embassy will visit Camp Douglas, where a 100-gun salutes will be fired and the troops paraded.

A grand banquet will probably be given on Thursday next.

The principal Ambassador is much indisposed this evening.

Gentiles and liberals assemble in the Liberal Institute, to-morrow, for the purpose of nominating an anti-Mormon ticket for city officers.

ARKANSAS.

Clayton's Case—Negro Troubles Feared.

LITTLE ROCK, Feb. 6.—Some of the witnesses summoned before the Clayton investigating Committee at Washington have returned. The general opinion seems to be that Clayton will come out right.

A prominent citizen of Chicot County arrived from Lake Village to-night, and reports matters still in a deplorable condition in that county. He says since the United States troops left there threats have been made by the negroes to drive out the governor's Guards. Nearly all the white citizens have removed their families from the county. No arrests have been made of those connected with the late killing.

Fire-Damp Explosion.

SCRANTON, Pa., Feb. 6.—A serious explosion of fire-damp occurred in Mitchelle's mine, situated in a deserted portion, to-day. The mine had been idle since Jan. 1, and five men descended to make some repairs. They carried naked lamps, and shortly after descending the explosion occurred. Robert Harris, Patrick McCullough, and Richard Morris were instantly killed, and Michael Harvey seriously, if not fatally burned. The other man was in another part of the mine and escaped. Deceased left three widows and seven children.

War Department Weather Prognostics.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 6.—The area of rising barometer, with falling temperatures, will probably advance eastward over Alabama, and the Middle and Eastern States, during Wednesday. Cloudy and clearing, with cold, northerly winds, will prevail from Florida to Virginia. Southwest winds, with rising temperature and cloudy weather, will extend eastward into Nebraska and Minnesota. Diminishing northerly winds will continue in Texas and Mississippi.

WASHINGTON.

The Debate on the Educational Fund Bill Concluded in the House.

Nomination of Comptroller Hulburd Confirmed by the Senate.

A Comprehensive Homestead Bill Introduced in the House.

Bill for Additional War Vessels Agreed Upon in Committee.

Serious Illness of Senator Davis, of Kentucky.

Special Despatch to The Chicago Tribune.

THE ALABAMA CLAIMS.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 6.—Senator Edmunds, who seldom omits an opportunity to sneer at newspapers, to-day surprised everyone by delivering a fierce speech against England, founded upon the most ridiculous sensations of the present season. Before he began his speech the fierce character of the Queen's speech was known throughout the city. It became apparent at once that Edmunds, in alluding upon the President for information, was not prompted by the Administration, as Mr. Cameron at once informed the Senate that, in his opinion, the President had no information of any kind relating to the matter.

ILLNESS OF GARRET DAVIS.

Senator Davis, of Kentucky, has been lying in a most dangerous situation throughout the day, but this evening is a little easier, though his physicians have little hope. His severe illness causes universal regret, as members in the Senate have a higher reputation for integrity among his political opponents than Mr. Davis. The attack is one of nervous prostration and exhaustion.

THE STEAMBOAT BILL.

The Committe on Commerce have rejected the amendment proposed to the new bill by the steamboat men, by which certain restrictions in packing, receiving, and stowing hemp, oils, and such inflammable materials were removed. They have agreed to the proposed amendment regulating the capacity of fire-pumps.

MR. CRESWELL'S RECORD.

The investigation by the House Committee into the mail-letting by the Postmaster General is resulting in his entire vindication.

ELDRIDGE.

There is considerable talk among Democratic members at the course of Mr. Eldridge in connection with the investigation into the affairs of the Washington City Government. They complain that he is taking an active part as attorney for parties whose conduct is the subject of investigation.

COMPTROLLER HULBURD.

The Senate to-day waived the usual delay in the case of the nomination of Comptroller Hulburd, and confirmed it at once.

TEST OF CITIZENSHIP.

In view of the large number of persons abroad who are claiming protection as American citizens, Mr. Fish has called the attention of our Ministers to the fact, that, in order to receive the benefit of such claims, evidence should be required that the person making it has paid taxes, and thus contributed to the support of the Government.

CINCINNATI PUBLIC BUILDINGS.

Postmaster Faulder, of Cincinnati, is here in interest of securing an appropriation for a new public building in Cincinnati. He has three sites in view, one on the south corner of Fifth and Vine, the Emery or Varieties property, and the Burnet property on Seventh and Elm.

THE SCHENCK-CAMPBELL CASE.

Mr. Randall, of Pennsylvania, objected to receiving the petition to reopen the Schenck-Campbell case to-day. The latter will insist, if the matter goes to Committee, that the whole case should be thrown open, instead of confining it to the charge of ballot-stuffing. He declares that he is entirely willing, and rather anxious, to have a full investigation, and thinks he can make a very interesting showing in the matter.

LEGATE'S NOMINATION.

There was a very lively time in executive session to-day over the reconsideration of Legate's nomination as Governor of Washington Territory Pomeroy, who attempted to defend him, was questioned closely, and badly worried by Legate's record. The case was not concluded.

CHARGES AGAINST A DISTRICT ATTORNEY.

Three prominent firms in New York, creditors of Kansas bankrupts, have forwarded formal charges against United States District Attorney Delahay, charging certain alleged corrupt official acts on his part in the matter, and containing grave charges concerning his habits and means by which he has before escaped punishment. The petition asks for his impeachment. The matter was sent to the Judiciary Committee.

CLAYTON'S CASE.

The evidence against Senator Clayton is becoming stronger every day, and the opinion is strengthening that the Senate will be obliged to expel him.

HOMESTEAD BILL.

Mr. Pierce, Chairman of the House Committee on Education and Labor, has introduced a bill appropriating $200,000,000, and providing, in the second section, as follows:

"That any landless citizen of the United States or person who has his intention to become a citizen thereof, in a proper Court, that desires to settle upon the public lands and enter into an agreement to comply with the provisions of this act as hereinafter required, and shall have designated a quarter section of public lands belonging to the United States, shall be entitled to such proportion to such quarter section of public lands, and upon the location and entry thereof by said citizen in accordance with the law, and upon proof that he has not sufficient means to open lands for cultivation, shall be furnished with articles hereinafter named, not to exceed the amount as follows, to-wit: $20 worth of lumber, canvas, or other building material; one plow, one pick-axe, one hoe, one shovel, one axe, one hatchet, 100 pounds of assorted nails, 400 pounds of flour, 50 pounds of bacon, 10 pounds of coffee, 5 pounds of tea, 100 pounds of corn meal, 100 pounds of salt, 15 bushels of seed wheat, 5 bushels of seed corn, 4 bushels of seed potatoes, and $1 worth of assorted garden seeds."

The third section provides that persons thus aided shall refund 10 per cent in five years, and 10 per cent each year after.

The seventh section is as follows: "That any person or persons who shall avail himself, herself, or themselves, of the provisions of this act, and shall wilfully fail or neglect to comply with its requirements shall be deemed guilty of felony, and upon conviction be punished by fine of not less than $100, nor more than $1,000, or imprisonment for a term not less than one year, nor more than five years, or both, such fine and imprisonment in the discretion of the Court having jurisdiction thereof."

CHICAGO POST OFFICE LOSSES.

Mr. Farnsworth has prepared a bill authorizing the Postmaster-General to settle the account with the Postmaster of Chicago, on satisfactory proof of loss by fire.

The House Naval Committee, to-day, agreed to report back favorably the bill for constructing ten sloops of war. It appropriates three millions, and, in addition, the proceeds of sales of old ships and material.

DEFICIENCY BILL.

The Appropriation Committee, to-day, agreed to add one million to the Deficiency bill to reimburse States for old claims for war expenses for the current year; and, also, to put three millions in the Miscellaneous bill, to meet future claims of the same sort.

NO NEWS FROM ENGLAND.

At 7 o'clock this evening Secretary Fish had received no official communications from England, or news from Mr. Schenck about the Washington treaty.

[To the Associated Press.]

NOMINATIONS.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 6.—The President sent the following nominations to the Senate to-day: Edward Hulburd, Comptroller of the Currency; Edward H. Hulburd, Comptroller for Dakota Territory; John S. McCook, Secretary for Dakota Territory; Thomas B. Catron, United States Attorney for New Mexico.

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN.

The Committee of Ways and Means give notice that for the present they must suspend all further audiences upon the subject of revenue or tariff.

UTAH MATTERS.

Delegate Hooper, of Utah, has received the following, dated Salt Lake, Feb. 5:

A mass meeting of 2,000 citizens of Salt Lake and county was held Saturday to select delegates to a Constitutional Convention, with a view to its a Constitutional Convention, with a view to its admission of Utah into the Union. Nineteen delegates were elected, mostly, if Mormons and prominent Gentiles. During the meeting the following resolutions were unanimously adopted, to-wit:

Resolved, That it is the candid opinion of this large assembly that Chief Justice James B. McKean, in many of his official acts, and especially in refusing the bail asked by the Deputy United States District Attorney, J. L. High, under instructions from Washington, has manifested so unwise and oppressive a spirit, and so misused the power of his office, that his judicial course richly merits condemnation, and his removal from office is asked for in behalf of justice and equal rights for all.

(Signed) ELIAS SMITH,
E. W. RAST,
THEO. MCKEAN.

The same despatch was sent to the President.

AN INDIAN ARGUMENT.

Colonel C. E. Boudinot, a leading Cherokee, made an argument before the House Committee on Territories, to-day, in favor of the organization of a Territorial Government for the Indian Territory, and claimed to show conclusively that such such action by Congress would be for the best interest of both the Government and the various Indian tribes.

CONGRESSIONAL.

SENATE.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 6.

CIVIL SERVICE REFORM.

Mr. FENTON presented a petition from New York merchants favoring a reform in the Civil Service, in the interest of the merchants. He said the subject was one of the first importance. The subject of this petition he said, was largely embraced in the Logan Service bill, which he would move to take up as soon as the Amnesty bill is disposed of.

PETITION.

Mr. SUMNER presented a memorial of the householders of the District of Columbia, asking the aid of Congress to protect them against the extravagance of the Territorial Government, and setting forth that it has already incurred a debt of $12,500,000, equal to one-sixth of the value of the whole district.

UNLAWFUL CURRENCY.

Mr. SHERMAN reported a bill making it an offence punishable by one year's imprisonment, and $1,000 fine, for any private corporation, firm, or individual to issue any obligations or promises to pay to be used as a circulating medium or currency.

MEMORIAL.

Mr. WILSON presented the memorial of Lucy Stone and others for woman suffrage and the right of office in the Territories.

Mr. FRELINGHUYSEN presented a resolution of the Legislature of New Jersey recommending the purchase by the United States of the Science Hall for the Centennial celebration on the ground that the purchase money to be used by Philadelphia for the erection of a building as a museum of revolutionary relics.

THE WASHINGTON TREATY.

Mr. EDMUNDS offered a resolution asking the President to send to the Senate any information in his possession relative to the alleged intervention of Great Britain to revoke the treaty of Washington.

Mr. EDMUNDS spoke at great length upon the Treaty of Washington, and claimed that the record of evidence we have demonstrates beyond any reasonable cavil that the letter and text of recently published, the making of these consequential claims. He continued—to which he may includes the paying of them. That is one of the questions to be agreed to arbitrate. It may be that they will be decided against us. That is another question; but right to make claims and have a fair and unbiased judgment of the tribunal of arbitration before whom formed in the very letter of the treaty. It is found in the fact that for years the English Government and nation have had notice of the fact that these damages were accruing. They had had notice of the fact that they were a part of the claim and a part of the ground for reimbursement which the people of the United States thought was a just and proper ground for reimbursement. I hope in the interest of honor and peace, that the reports of a wish on the part of England to repudiate the treaty are not newspaper canards. If we succeed in obtaining this information, which I hope we shall ask for, it shall appear that these reports are true, it will be a ground for earnest consideration and steps of preparation and precaution should be taken in order that our honor and just rights may be upheld. Pending these, the following resolution may be adopted at this time unanimously.

At the conclusion of Mr. Edmunds' remarks Mr. Morton obtained the floor, but gave way to Mr. Trumbull.

Mr. TRUMBULL thought the Senate ought not to adopt the resolution upon a mere report that Great Britain was going to repudiate a solemn treaty. He said the Parliament had not yet assembled. If the country wanted the treaty repudiated, he knew it; but he knew it could not be to insult Great Britain by this resolution. If the United States desired to provoke a breach of friendship, no more effectual way to do it could be found than this to insult Great Britain. The British Parliament had not yet met, and we had no trustworthy information whatever that the British Government did not intend to stand by the treaty; yet the Senate was asked to pass a resolution assuming that it was to be repudiated.

Mr. EDMUNDS replied that the British newspapers reported that the Government had the assured under consideration; and as to the meeting of Parliament, this was a matter which did not necessarily require Parliamentary action at all. That resolution was merely an ordinary resolution of inquiry, which assumed nothing, and he did not see why it should excite the Senator's astonishment.

Mr. TRUMBULL insisted that the last clause of the resolution, undertaking to state the ground upon which the pending treaty was to be contemplated, did contain an assumption, and said it was shocking that, upon a question which threatened the peace of the two greatest nations of the world, one of these nations should be taking action upon what might be a newspaper canard.

Mr. EDMUNDS said that, to relieve the mind of the Senator (Mr. Trumbull), he would strike out the last clause of the resolution, beginning at the word "that," to which he does.

Mr. CAMERON, Chairman of the Committee on Foreign Relations, Mr. President, I do not know why this resolution is offered. I cannot imagine that the Government is in possession of any such information as the resolution calls for. I have no idea that the British Government is going to repudiate the treaty, or any part of it, and I would not be the first to suppose that they would be guilty of an act of such wrong to us and dishonor and disgrace to themselves.

AMNESTY BILL.

Mr. ROBERTSON called up the regular order, the Amnesty bill, and the resolution went over.

Mr. EDMUNDS gave notice that he would call it up to-morrow and urge its passage.

The Amnesty bill was discussed by Messrs. SHERMAN, THURMAN, MORTON, and FRELINGHUYSEN, until 4 o'clock p. m., when the Senate went into executive session, and soon after adjourned.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

NEW BILLS.

Bills were introduced as follows:

By Mr. LOUGHRIDGE—For the location of a bridge across the Mississippi, from St. Clair County, Ill., to South St. Louis.

By Mr. BUTLER—For the establishment of the ocean mail service to Australia.

By Mr. MYERS—To promote telegraphic communication between America, Asia, and Europe.

By Mr. LOWE—For the sale of an Miami Indian land in Kansas.

By Mr. FARNSWORTH—Granting pensions to certain soldiers, pilots, and others in the Black Hawk war.

By Mr. COLTON—For bridging the Mississippi at Muscatine.

MILITARY POSTS.

On motion of Mr. DICKEY, the Secretary of War was requested to report what military posts may be disposed of.

TAX ON INCOME.

Mr. COCHRANE, from the Judiciary Committee, reported a bill refunding all taxes heretofore collected on any income, from salaries of officers of State Governments, which was recommitted.

ELECTION CASE.

Mr. SHELLABARGER asked leave to offer a resolution as to taking testimony in the Ohio contested election of Schenck against Campbell. Mr. Randall objected.

PETITIONS.

Mr. KELLY presented the protest of the Radical Republican Club of Philadelphia against the inequal production of religious test laws into the Constitution.

Mr. SWANN presented the petition of soldiers for an equalization of bounties.

DRAWING OF SEATS.

The House then resumed the question of a fresh drawing of seats.

EDUCATIONAL FUND BILL.

At half past 1 o'clock the House resumed consideration of the bill to establish an educational fund, and to apply the proceeds of the public lands to the education of the people.

Mr. PIERCE, who reported the bill from the Committee on Education, offered a proviso, that the bill shall in no way affect any existing law for the disposition of the public lands or the proceeds, either by way of homestead, reservation, or grant to States, or otherwise, nor be construed as preventing any disposition thereof which Congress may hereafter see fit to make.

Mr. FINKELNBURG intimated that he would vote against the proviso, as it seemed to make a reservation for future railroad grants.

Mr. POLAND offered an amendment, providing that, in the future, no law shall be passed to impede, impair, or suspend any law authorizing the preemption of public lands, or their entry for homestead; nor shall it be competent for legislating in any manner the power of Congress to alter or extend the right of homesteads.

Mr. LOWE spoke in advocacy of the bill. He saw nothing in it recognizing the right of the National Government to interfere with education in States. If there was any such thing in the bill he should vote against it.

W. R. ROBERTS asked Mr. Dunnell if it was proposed to exclude religious denominational schools from the benefits of the bill.

Mr. DUNNELL replied that denominational schools, as such, were not entitled to participation in the proposed fund, any more than they were under laws setting aside certain township sections of public lands for school purposes.

Mr. FARNSWORTH asked Mr. Dunnell whether he considered it necessary to give three dollars to the Northern States in order to give one dollar to the Southern States.

Mr. DUNNELL replied that he did not want to give the Northern States anything.

Mr. FARNSWORTH—Then why do you?

Mr. DUNNELL—If it was proposed to give all to the Southern States, where it is most needed, there would be no objection; but the distribution is as the lands belong to all the people.

Mr. FARNSWORTH—Are the public lands hereafter to be disposed of?

Mr. DUNNELL—I do not understand that the bill interferes with the past or future policy of the Government in relation to the public lands. If it felt that by voting for the bill I should at any time ever so indirectly lessen the liberality of our legislation with reference to settlers, I would vote for it.

Mr. FARNSWORTH—Then how do you forever consecrate the proceeds of public lands for this purpose, if the public lands are not to be sold?

Mr. DUNNELL—It means that the proceeds of the public lands, as annually reported to Congress, shall be set apart.

Mr. FARNSWORTH—But if the public lands are not sold, how are you to get any proceeds?

Mr. DUNNELL—The proceeds of so much as may be sold.

Mr. BUTLER (Tenn.) spoke in support of the bill and got into a controversy with his colleagues, Garnett and Wright, as to "what state the public lands of Tennessee." He declared that the Democratic party had stolen three millions of it, and the Republican party only three hundred thousand dollars.

Mr. GARNETT asked, When was that?

Mr. BUTLER. It was when you were a member of the State Legislature and were expelled from it. [Laughter.]

Mr. GARNETT said, that the statement that he was expelled from the Legislature was wilfully false, and that Butler knew it to be false. (Calls to order.)

Mr. BLAIR (Mich.) expressed his approbation of the bill, and said it was perfectly fair and equal to the whole country.

Mr. COBURN spoke in favor of the bill, and read from Mr. Kerr's speech of last Friday, partly as to the source from which the school fund of Indiana was derived, he denied that the Democratic party had anything to do with it. If the Democratic party of Indiana had done anything in the matter it was to break down the system under which that school fund was accumulated. The Democratic counties of Indiana were the most ignorant counties of the State. While he was in favor of the bill generally, he was opposed to the mode of distribution according to population. he would have the fund distributed in direct proportion to the illiteracy of the State, and an inverse proportion to the amount of school property and funds which a State possessed. The States which had the least school property and the most illiteracy should have the greater proportion of the fund. He offered an amendment to carry out his views.

Mr. HARRIS (Va.) opposed the bill as a step in the system of centralization and of submission to despotic power. He opposed it because it undertook to force on the country a mixed school system.

Mr. STORM opposed the bill, and opposed particularly any amendment which would restrict it exclusively to schools conducted in the English language.

Mr. KELLY (Pa.) eulogized the educational system of his own State, and said that while Virginia was making it a felony to teach a colored child to read, Pennsylvania had provided colleges for the education for the colored people both at Philadelphia and Philadelphia.

Mr. GARFIELD disclaimed utterly the idea that the bill proposed any Governmental control over the schools. It only required reports as to what is done in them to be made to Congress, and the publication of those reports would awaken emulation between the several States. He cordially supported the bill and hoped it would pass.

Mr. STEVENSON (Ohio), said he would prefer to vote money out of the public Treasury for the purpose of education in New York, than to accept the bill as a step in the right direction. He believed in the policy of taking what he could get for school purposes.

Mr. BANKS declared himself in favor of the passage of the bill, though he would not favor the sale of public lands for it, thus taking them from the homestead settlers.

Mr. DAWES advocated not the details, but the general scope of the bill. He wished that every unoccupied acre of the public domain were by the bill consecrated for such good and noble purposes. They should see that those who had been clothed with the ballot in the South should have the means of casting the ballot intelligently.

The debate was closed by Mr. BOOTH, who defended the bill and its details, and expressed his conviction that the whole fund would be permitted to go where it was most needed—to the Southern States.

The final question was on McNeely's amendment, making printing ink, type, metal, and printing paper on the free list.

On the objection of Mr. HOAR to a amendment was ruled out of order as being a new measure, which must first be considered in Committee of the Whole.

ADJOURNMENT.

The vote on the bill and pending amendments went over till to-morrow, and the House adjourned.

NEW YORK.

Important Testimony Taken by the Custom House Investigating Committee.

How Detectives Sport Cheap Diamonds and Smoke Real Havanas.

Satisfactory Settlement of the Woman-Preacher Controversy.

Daily Review of the Leading Markets.

Special Despatch to The Chicago Tribune.

MONEY.

NEW YORK, Feb. 6.—Sensational rumors were afloat to-day relative to the Alabama claims difficulty, but the amicable tone of the Queen's speech set them at rest. Another gold room canard was that Turkey and Russia had formed an alliance hostile to Great Britain. The London money market and British consols show no apprehension in regard to the present or future of political events. The money market was easy throughout the day at 5 to 6 per cent. Prime business paper ranges from 7 to 8 per cent. Late in the day some stock operators bid 7 per cent gold, and for turning stocks 1-32 to 1-16 per cent. There is no doubt of the artificial character of this activity.

THE GOVERNMENT BOND MARKET

was steady, with a fair demand for investment.

PACIFIC RAILROAD SECURITIES.

Central Pacific bonds closed at 102½ to 103, and Unions at 99¾ to 99¾ for firsts; 82½ to 83¼ for land grants; 87½ to 87¾ for incomes, and 84¾ to 85¼ for stock.

THE FOREIGN EXCHANGE MARKET

is dull. Prime bankers' 60 days' sterling bills are quoted 109, and sight 109¾. Good bankers-60 day bills are offered at 108¾, and commercial at 108¾ to 108¾.

THE GOLD MARKET

was steady, opening at 110, declining to 109¾, advancing to and closing at 9 p. m. at 110. The rates paid for carrying were 5, 4, 4½, 5, 6, 6, 6, and 6 per cent gold after the board adjourned. The quotations were 110 to 110¼ at the close. The Assistant Treasurer paid out to-day $41,000 on account of the 5208 redeemed, making a total thus far of $24,980,000, and $274,000 on account of January interest, making a total thus far of $15,711,000.

THE STOCK MARKET

was strong, with an advancing tendency until after 12 o'clock, when a downward reaction set in. Pacific Mail was the special feature, and heavy purchases were made on reports from Washington in regard to an additional subsidy. Northwestern was next in point of interest, and after that Wabash. The market at the close was firmer, with some recovery from the lowest point of the afternoon. Business was very small, and the chief features were Pacific Mail, Canton, Union Pacific, Rock Island, and Lake Shore. Canton advanced to-day on rumors that the company was about to sell the "water-front."

BREADSTUFFS.

At 10-day's market, the common and medium grades of State and Western flours were quiet, but in view of light receipts and a very small production by city mills, holders were firm, and there was a slight upward tendency, especially for good lines of shipping extras, of which the supply is relatively small. Of the medium and better grades the stock was ample, and holders disposed to realize. Brokers' brands are especially plenty. The wheat market was exceedingly dull, and prices nearly nominal. The demand was very moderate, either for export or milling, and such inquiry as there was at reduced prices. A leading miller, rather than pay the prices asked for wheat, stopped his mills, and shippers would not pay as much as millers. Corn opened a shade easier, with an active demand.

[To the Associated Press.]

THE CUSTOM HOUSE INVESTIGATION.

NEW YORK, Feb. 6.—At the Custom House investigation to-day, ex-Weigher Perkins testified as to the labors of the weighers, showing that they had very little to do. The witness had paid his political assessment of 2 per cent. Some of it went for the New Hampshire election; paid on constructive compulsion. Other testimony was offered, showing that the payment of sums by inspectors was for the usual purposes.

A. C. Beatty, late detective, testified that Colonel Whitely, who is Inspector of Customs, whose duties are at the head of the Secret Service, after seizing $10,000 worth of diamonds smuggled, paid the duties on them and sold them to his men. Beatty himself purchasing eight small ones for $65, and witness has them now. The case came before Commissioner Osborne and is still undecided, but the records of the Court show up the whole case. When cigars are seized by Whitely the police and reporters are allowed to help themselves,—some reporters supplying themselves to a day. In one instance 50,000 cigars were seized, taken to Whitely's office, and never heard of afterward. Two casks of Scotch whiskey, smuggled by the Purser of an Inman steamer, were seized and carried to Whitely's office, and duly disappeared and the smuggler was never prosecuted. Whitely sends large quantities of seized cigars to the Treasury Department at Washington, to Bandfield and his clerks. A short time ago, Beatty was sent to the depot by Whitely and got a trunk containing a counterfeit on Shoe and Leather Bank. Whitely went to that bank with Beatty, Whitely telling the Cashier that Beatty had been three months working the case, spending his own money, which the Government would not refund. The next day the newspapers contained the bogus story of a terrible fight, in which Beatty was represented as shooting a man to get the trunk. Some time after, the Bank gave Beatty $100. Beatty was two hours in getting the trunk. Another case of seizure of smuggled cigars was settled by paying Whitely $700 and the cigars used in Whitely's office. Whitely is now an Inspector in the Custom House and secret detective. Beatty stated that Whitely lives habitually in the habit of arresting people without authority; took them before the Commissioner and got authority. The settlement of a case is made at the District Attorney's office. He mentioned the case of Oppenheimer. He was Arrested and taken to the Commissioner for smuggling cigars. The Commissioner held him, and he paid $300 in the District Attorney's office, and went about his business. The attachment on his store was raised, and there never was an indictment. This was in 1870. There were 40,000 cigars seized in this case. They were taken to Col. Whitely's office, and I never know what became of them.

Wm. L. Finger, an attorney, testified that she books and papers of H. C. Cooper, Broadway, were seized on an affidavit charging the undervaluing of his invoice, and Colonel Howe stated that in order to the amount of $30,000 were liable to confiscation.

At the evening session, Thomas T. Bigmire testified that he had been appointed United States Weigher by Collector Murphy, with the understanding that he would not be required to do any duty, but was merely wanted for political purposes.

INSURANCE PAYMENTS.

Bernard Cassedy, Rece

THE LAW COURTS.

What Constitutes Habitual Drunkenness and Repeated Cruelty.

The Kingsbury Estate Again the Subject of Litigation.

Jurisdiction of Justices of the Peace--A Law Which Was Not Passed.

Superior Court.

THE MARITAL RELATION.

A divorce case, instituted by Fanny Lichtenberger against her husband, Charles, having been restored to the files of the Court, was tried, with the result that the defendant was found not guilty. The allegations against him were that he had been guilty of habitual drunkenness, cruelty, extreme and repeated, and adultery. The Court laid it down as law, that the cruelty contemplated by statute to warrant divorce means that some act shall be done, by the party charged, cruel in its nature and the repetition of such acts constitutes repeated cruelty, and high words and abuse of any character might be considered as tending to prove such cruelty. So if the defendant were habitually drunk during the last two years, at his house and in presence of his family, the verdict would be for complainant, even if defendant was able to attend with regularity to his business; but, in this connection, it must appear that there was such a fixed habit of intoxication on his part as to have incapacitated him for the transaction of his business, for the occasional use of intoxicating liquor to excess is not enough to establish the charge of habitual drunkenness. So a verdict could not be found for the complainant on the belief that the parties to the suit have not lived, and probably will not live, happily together. Upon the question of cruelty the jury may consider what, if any, circumstances of provocation there are in the language of the other party, so that if the defendant in striking a blow was provoked thereto by the misconduct of his wife, the misconduct being of a nature to constitute a great provocation, and to arouse ordinary human passion, and the violence was not out of all proportion to the provocation; that this charge is not proven. For extreme cruelty means such cruelty as shows itself in acts threatening the life or health of the person injured, or induces a well-grounded fear that its longer continuance would result in the death, maiming, or other permanent injury of the complainant. Wherefore, in this State, to justify a divorce on this ground there must be present such violence as suffered extreme cruelty, but some act of extreme cruelty must afterward be committed; in other words, the cruelty must be repeated. The mere fact of seeing a man,--the father of a family,--walking or riding out with a married woman, not his wife, is not sufficient to warrant a jury in convicting him of adultery.

EJECTMENT.

A reinstated ejectment suit came before the Court. Mrs. Cornelia Russell sued to recover, from Christian Mandell and Simon Peterson, the east half of the southwest quarter of section 26, 39 N. R. 12 E. 3 p m. farm land. She took a verdict, and defendants took a new trial under the statute.

JUDGMENT.

Judgment was entered in favor of N. Visendraith against James Hanson for $354.47, and execution issued. This judgment was rendered upon a bond given to secure the judgment, and as a special lien (by mortgage) upon the brig Lowell.

LIEN ASKED--THE LUMBARD COLLECTORSHIP.

A bill was filed by John Forsythe to establish a lien upon real estate, commencing on the east line of Dearborn street, in the southwest quarter of section 12, 39 N. R. 12, east 2 p m., running thence west 24 rods, south 15 rods, east 24 rods, and north 15 rods to the east line of the said southwest quarter of said Section 12, 15 rods to the place of beginning.

It is alleged that Frank Lambard, being seized of the property, was elected Town Collector for the Town of South Chicago for the term of a year, and gave bonds which were approved. Afterward, however, judgment was rendered in this Court against Lambard, for $9,000 damages, $2,000 for costs and costs for breach of his bond (defalcation) for the use of the complainant, which sum he has been unable to collect, and which now remains outstanding. Beyond this, complainant took judgment for $200,000 and costs, which remains in force. Nevertheless, the defendant Lambard has sought to convey the realty mentioned.

MISCELLANEOUS.

An action, *certiorari* broke, was commenced by James Holland against Adolph Harten, in which the damages are laid at $2,000.

An action on the case was commenced by Doras Manke against Henry and Matia Kruell, in which the damages are laid at $8,000.

Circuit Court.

THE KINGSBURY ESTATE.

The matter of the settlement of the property appertaining to the Kingsbury heirs came before the Court, and, on motion, a supplemental bill has been filed in this Court to enjoin the Receiver of the estate, John Woodbridge, Esq., from issuing further insurance which may cover the buildings which once stood on the corner of Clark and Randolph streets, and were destroyed by the fire. Original and full bill is filed in the interest of Mrs. Buckner, who comes in under the decree of the Supreme Court as half owner in common of the property in question *et al* vs. Isaac Arnold, Esq., for a determination of the Receivership. By the decree of the Supreme Court of November last, appointed guardian of the minor, Henry W. Kingsbury, under bond of $50,000, by reason of which the power of the appointment of a Receiver ceased to exist. He states that thus far the estate has not been transferred to him, but claims that by reason of the infant's interest in the estate should at once be effected.

JURISDICTION OF JUSTICES.

Judge Rogers practically decided, in the case of Peter Leddy against Michael O'Connor, where a jury of twelve persons rendered judgment for $117, that there is no such authority in such officer. It was claimed that the judgment was rendered under the belief that the Justice was empowered to have been passed increasing the jurisdiction of Justices of the Peace from $100 to $200. It is stated as stated that the law as it now stands was and is no law at all, wherefore there is no jurisdiction in the Justices conferred under it. The Senate were passed increasing the law, but passed a bill of two sections, and it became necessary to return it to the House that that body might concur in the amendment that the House did not concur, but returned the bill, whereupon the Senate receded from its position, and the bill did not repass the bill as passed by the House.

FELL INTO A DITCH.

An action on the case was commenced by Margaret Dunaher against William O. Vinty and David Whiteford, in which the damages are laid at $5,000. Mrs. Dunaher claims that the defendants being engaged in laying water pipes for the municipal street barracks (in which she was a tenant) left an exposed ditch, which, upon the 7th of December she fell, to her great personal injury.

United States District Court.

IN BANKRUPTCY.

Chester D. Hooker was appointed provisional assignee of the bankrupt estate of Western Insurance Company.

OUR PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

Regular Meeting of the Board of Education --Teaching in German to be Resumed--Proposed Revision of the Course of Instruction --Average Attendance for the Month--No Rebate of School Land Rental to be Allowed.

A regular meeting of the Board of Education was held last evening, Vice President Runyan in the chair. There were also present the following Inspectors: Quest, Stephens, Sally, Walsh, Goggin, Richberg, Briggs, Moore, Wuensche, Meserve, Schintz, and Hambleton.

NO LAND TO BE PURCHASED.

Inspector Moore, of the Committee on Buildings and Grounds, reported that the Committee were unanimously in favor of purchasing ground on the South Side. He believed that for the first time the city could have a healthy location for sanitary and ventilating of the Washington school by indirect radiation.

SCREENS FOR THE SCHOOLS.

He moved that screens be erected in one room of the Mosely School, to protect the children from the cotls, by way of experiment. This would send the heated air up, and prevent its attacking the children laterally.

Inspector Meserve moved to refer the matter to the Committee on Buildings and Grounds for investigation with power to act.

Inspector Schmitz inquired whether $20 would cover the expense of the experiment.

Mr. Ford thought that as $20 to $30 could fit up a screen of zinc or galvanized iron as high as the window sills, which would be successful.

Mr. Schintz was instructed by the Committee, with power to act.

Inspector Schmitz, of the Committee on Janitors and Supplies, recommended the purchase of sundry small items, which report was adopted.

WANTS TO BE PAID.

A communication from Isaac Eastman, ex-Janitor, asking for payment, was on motion, referred to the Finance Committee.

BILLS ALLOWED.

The Committee on Finance reported bills amounting to $4,816.16, which they recommend be allowed.

The report was concurred in.

FULL CERTIFICATE.

On motion of Superintendent Pickard, a full certificate was granted to Miss Charlotte O. Bailey.

NEARLY VACATED.

Inspector Gogcin, of the Committee on High School, reported that the High School building was nearly vacated.

DRAWING MODELS.

Inspector Hambleton, of the Committee on the Normal School, reported recommending that a lay of $20 on drawing models for the normal School.

It was concurred in.

GERMAN TO BE RESUMED.

Inspector Richberg, of the Committee on German, reported that if could be easily taught in the existing schools, and steps had been taken to have the studies resumed.

REVISING THE COURSE.

Superintendent Pickard suggested it was now a good opportunity to revise the graded course, the fire having destroyed the copies in possession of the Board. If the Board would authorize a revision of the course, he was willing to get to work with the Committee on Text Books and Course of Instruction, and the moment it was taken in hand the better. With the experience of the past two or three years, the course could be so remodeled as to drop superfluous studies, leaving and the requirements of the pupils as to be entirely satisfactory.

Inspector Hambleton moved that the Committee on Text Books and Course of Instruction, in connection with the Superintendent, be instructed to revise the courses of instruction.

The motion was agreed to.

THE FILE INCOMPLETE.

Superintendent Pickard said there were some portions of last year's report which had never yet been published. He would like to obtain copies of the early annual reports to complete the file for the office. The first, second and third years--1854-5-6 and, he believed 1857--were missing.

ATTENDANCE.

Superintendent Pickard presented the following statistics for the month:

	Whole No.	Av. No. belonging	Av. attend.	Per centage
High School	621	502.0	478.8	95.9
North Division	3,262	1,591.6	1,506.5	94.6
South Division	7,079	3,586.0	3,500.1	97.7
W. Division	18,224	10,605.2	10,072.5	94.4
Total	29,186	26,284.8	24,065.3	94.2

The attendance was only two thousand less than before the fire.

NO REBATE.

Inspector Richberg offered the following resolutions:

WHEREAS, Efforts are being made by parties owning leases of school lands to have the rental of said lands partially rebated by the Common Council; and

WHEREAS, If such efforts were prosecuted to effect, the school funds would be thereby materially impaired, and the loss eventually fall upon the tax payers generally, therefore

Resolved, That this Board respectfully protest against any such rebate.

Resolved, That a copy of the foregoing be presented to the Common Council.

The resolutions were adopted.

The Board adjourned.

NOT TOTALLY DESTROYED.

The Woman-Suffrage Movement Not Burned Up in the Great Conflagration.

Its Adherents Still Alive and Determined to Assert Their Vitality.

The Woman's Suffrage Association, since the fire, has not been dead, but sleeping. It will take some more dire and wide-spread disaster to kill this virulent disorder which has been raging among our feminine friends for several years past. The "bureau" was burned, it is true, with all the books and papers contained in the drawers of that commodious piece of furniture. But hope springs perennial in the human breast, and is above and independent of bureaus. Bureaus may perish, but the great question of woman's suffrage survives. Mrs. Carter, the Superintendent of the Chicago office, was scattered and demoralized by the tornado of flame that swept through the city on that dreadful Sunday night. She is now in California, and it is feared that the great problem of woman suffrage must be brought out without her.

The meeting has been held since the fire until yesterday, when an effort was made to collect together the *dilecta membra*. A portion of the Executive Committee met in the pleasant parlor of Mrs. Van Winkle, No. 1400 Indiana avenue. The attendance was not large, but numbers are of little consequence when the deeds done are big with fate. Out of twenty-four members of the Executive Committee scattered throughout the State, only seven were present.

Robert Collyer could not come, for reasons that were not given in the hearing of the reporter. But it is known that his sympathies are with the cause. Mrs. Livermore, ought "takes up arms" for the association, was somewhere in space. Mrs. Willard came as the minutes were being read. She was then hard at it round, having just returned from Eastern climes and realms remote, whither she went on one of Pullman's palace cars. The price was $5, and she objected to it as too much. Mrs. Fernando Jones was present. So was Mrs. Judge Waite, who presided over the deliberations of the seven with womanly grace and dignity. Mrs. Dr. Lovejoy could not allow herself to be absent. Being accomplished in her profession, she can minister to a mind diseased, but cannot eradicate the suffrage mania from the gentle feminine bosom. The others present, beside the hostess, were Mrs. E. Leonard and Mrs. E. W. Miller.

The meeting was rather slow in gathering, and, to speed the lagging moments the fair doctress took to the reading of the report of the Executive Committee contained in the report of a recent meeting of a benevolent institution. The inaugural journalist dived into personal controversy, in self-defence, that upon first-class morning journals like that he represented everything reportorial was passed through a sieve held by the city editor, and came out refined gold. In this hopper, or crucible, was placed the report in question, and it came out "mush and milk." It may be avowed to have a technicality of your profession"--said the young journalist, bowing politely to the lady--in the manner to which you object." Another lady from the Daily Gazette's rescue, saying that she approved of the report in every respect.

The meeting was at last called to order by Mrs. Waite.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Mrs. Fernando Jones was elected Vice President of the State Association, *ad interim*, and Mrs. Van Winkle, Secretary.

Mrs. Waite stated that the principal object of this meeting was to make arrangements for the State Suffrage Convention, to be held in Bloomington on the 13th and 14th of the present month. She had received a letter from Mrs. Ferguson, one of the faithful at that point, which she then read extracts. The Opera House in Bloomington had been engaged for the occasion, and good speakers had been secured. Nothing would do the feminine heart of the ladies of that city so much good as to have Robert Collyer come down there, and speak words of encouragement to them. Bills of great length of letter and blackness of ink had been distributed through the town. The Bar Association of Bloomington (Great enthusiasm.) Mrs. Hazlitt, of Michigan, had promised to give the light of her countenance, and Mr. Bradwell, of Illinois, would not be more than a thousand miles from the Association while it was in session. Everything was looking encouraging for the auxiliary suffragist, and all the omens were favorable. It was also hoped that Mrs. Livermore could be persuaded to send her generous *afflatus* over the roof of Bloomington.

It was stated that Mrs. Della Harris was so disheartened that she had given up lecturing, and two or three profitable lecture engagements, in order that she might meet in convention with her sisters.

Further epistolary extracts were given, in which it was stated that there would be vocal music worthy of the grandeur of the occasion. A chorus was in training which would render popular melodies in the most finished manner. The services would be out to-day.

Mrs. Waite stated, *ex cathedra*, that the people of Bloomington were all favorable to the Convention, and that there was not a saloon in the city, and the revivalists would say, an "infuriating time." Bloomington contained a noble specimen of manhood in the shape of a Methodist minister, who had once adjourned his prayer-meeting in order to allow the suffragists to have a meeting. It returned the head to the table, to unite in contact with such men. Once when this clergyman of advanced ideas was asked if any lady should preach in favor of woman suffrage, he promptly replied that he didn't know of any who were opposed to it. This indicated a most hopeful state of things in Bloomington.

It was decided that all should be invited, but that the invitations should be issued by the executive manner, and also that notices of the Convention should be published, the holding of the Convention not having yet been advertised, except in the Bloomington papers. The Committee concluded that it would be of no use to ask the railroads to sell half-fare tickets on the ground that the Convention of General Ticket Agents having decided against that sort of thing.

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REAL ESTATE.

Instruments Filed for Record on Tuesday, Feb. 6.

CITY PROPERTY.

Part of Lot 1, in Block 12, of W. Section 17, 39, 14, dated, Jan. 6; consideration, $16,000.

Lot 3, in Boake's Block 5, of Cochran et al w s c Section 6, 39, 14, dated Jan. 22; consideration, $600.

Lot 37, in Boake's Block 5, of Cochran et al w s c Section 6, 39, 14, dated Jan. 22; consideration, $600.

Lot 38, in Boake's Block 5, of Cochran et al w s c Section 6, 39, 14, dated Jan. 22; consideration, $600.

Lot 70, in Boake's Block 5, of Cochran et al w s c Section 6, 39, 14, dated Jan. 22; consideration, $600.

Lot 20, in Block 17, Elston's Addition, dated Feb. 7; consideration, $1,100.

Lot 11 and 12, in Block 1, in University s n c Section 24, 39, 14, dated Oct. 9, 1871; consideration, $1 200.

Lot 46, in Block 5, of Blocks 31, and 32, in Section 29, 39, 14, dated Feb. 5; consideration, $700.

West Washington st, s w corner of Union st, n 1 undivided 1 of 30 ft. running to Madison st, with buildings, dated Jan. 1; consideration, $6,000.

Lot 27, in Walker's Block 12, in Walsh and McMullen's sw ¼ of Sec. 20, 39, 14, dated Feb. 1; consideration, $1,200.

Randolph st., bet Wabash av and State st, n f, 76 1/3 by 120, dated Dec. 29, 1871; consideration, $66 000.

Lot 38, in Shoenberger's Block 1, in Assessor's 1 of se ¼ of Sec. 20, 39, 14, dated Jan. 29; consideration, $1,200.

West Washington st, s w cor of Carpenter st, n f, 100x150 ft, with buildings, dated Jan. 1; consideration, $20,000.

Lots 7 and 8, in Block 27, Sec. 33, 40, 14, dated Jan. 29; consideration, $4,400.

North Lasalle st, bet Schiller and Carl sts, w f, 20½x153 ft, dated Jan. 29; consideration, $4,500.

SOUTH OF CITY LIMITS.

Lot 13, in Block 4, in Heintz n s w ¼ of Sec. 4, 39, 14, dated Feb. 5; consideration, $1,300.

Because They, and They Only, are Genuine

Everhards & Co. have reason to congratulate themselves upon the success of their venture in the Charm-Bell business. The beautiful little models do not require a word of explanation, but tell their own tale. As relics of the great fire, nothing can equal them in beauty or appropriateness, while as specimens of mechanism, they are even greater historical values. The original Court House bell, from which they are made, contained the bells of three of the first churches belonging to Fort Dearborn before Chicago began to aspire to any very great fame as a village, and the additional bells of any in church or town in the Bloomington papers. The Committee concluded that it would be of no use to ask the railroads to sell half-fare tickets on the ground that the Convention of General Ticket Agents having decided against that sort of thing.

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A Valuable Medium.

A copy of Relyea & Gilbert's *Railroad Advertiser* has just been laid upon our table. It is a handsomely printed volume of about 200 pages, containing interesting descriptions of the various Pacific Railroads, and also a complete and official list of all the express offices in the United States and Canada. As a medium of advertising for leading business houses in all parts of the country, it will be recognized as having a value peculiarly and distinctively its own. Apply to Relyea & Gilbert, printers and publishers, No. 51 Canal street, Chicago.

THE FIRE LIMITS ORDINANCE.

Public Meeting of Regular and Special Committees of the Common Council.

An Afternoon Devoted to Amendments, Suggestions, Objections, Etc.

No Definite Results Reached--The Subject to Receive Further Consideration.

The Committee on Fire and Water, together with the Auxiliary Committee of the Common Council, met yesterday afternoon in the Common Council Chamber, Ald. McGenniss called the meeting together, Ald. Bond was appointed Secretary. Besides the Committee there were several Aldermen present, and from 30 to 40 citizens.

The Chairman stated that since the report of the Committee recommending the fire ordinance, four weeks ago, the Council had discussed it thoroughly. On the previous meeting, owing to the innumerable amendments thrown in by the press, and the people, it was decided to recommit the ordinance to the Committee on Fire and Water, and an Auxiliary Committee of six. He hoped that the gentlemen present would be able to make practical suggestions. He called for free expression, and that they would be made in writing.

Ald. Bailey called for the reading of the remonstrances and petitions.

The Chairman exhibited the stupendous pile of manuscript purporting to be amendments.

Ald. Heath moved to take up the ordinance section by section.

The motion prevailed. Section 1 was taken up.

Ald. Thompson moved to take up the South Division first, and the West and North in order. The motion prevailed.

Ald. Thompson offered the following amendment to the ordinance for the South Division: That the fire limits of the City of Chicago shall begin at the mouth of the main Chicago River thence running south bounded by Lake Michigan to Thirty-ninth street; thence west to a line 125 feet west of State street; thence north to a line 125 feet west of Thirty-fifth street; thence west to a line 125 feet west of Wentworth avenue; thence north to a line 125 feet south of Thirty-first street; thence west to a line 125 feet west of Halsted street; thence north to the tracks of the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy and Northwestern Railroad; thence west to a line 125 feet west of Throop street.

Ald. Bond would prefer to have suggestions made, as the Committee would any way act upon the papers submitted to them.

Ald. Bailey made a suggestion, placing the fire limits at Twenty-ninth, State, Twenty-sixth street, Rock Island Railroad, Twenty-second, and Jefferson streets.

The Chairman wanted new suggestions, as the others were all in the hands of the Committee.

Ald. Gilbert did not suppose the Committee would bear any discussion of the question. He offered an amendment by substituting Lake street for Walnut street as the south limits on the West Side.

Ald. Bailey wanted to extend the line along Fourteenth to Madison street, to Van Buren.

Ald. Stuart moved to amend by substituting 125 west of Wells street to its intersection of Lincoln avenue, thence 125 feet south of Lincoln avenue, along the line (Lincoln avenue), to Fullerton avenue, thence on Fullerton avenue to Lake Michigan.

This concluded the amendments to the limits.

Section 2 was read.

Ald. Gardner renewed his amendment, (now in the hands of the Committee) to strike out the whole clause relating to the prohibition of gravel and tar roofs, on the ground that such roofs were the best for fire purposes. The Council, however, was an additional weight and expense without corresponding advantages. He did not want to oreate a hardship in the building business. The Council had not a right to say what should be put on. They could only say what should not be put on.

Ald. Heath had a substitute for Section 2, which he would like read.

Ald. Bailey wanted his substitute read--for the whole ordinance.

The Chair thought it unnecessary to read the amendments as it would take up a vast amount of time.

Ald. Gardner wanted to hear from the architects. Another lady from the Daily Gazette's rescue, saying that she approved of the report in every respect.

The meeting was at last called to order by Mrs. Waite.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Mrs. Fernando Jones was elected Vice President of the State Association, *ad interim*, and Mrs. Van Winkle, Secretary.

Mrs. Waite stated that the principal object of this meeting was to make arrangements for the State Suffrage Convention, to be held in Bloomington on the 13th and 14th of the present month. She had received a letter from Mrs. Ferguson, one of the faithful at that point, which she then read extracts. The Opera House in Bloomington had been engaged for the occasion, and good speakers had been secured. Nothing would do the feminine heart of the ladies of that city so much good as to have Robert Collyer come down there, and speak words of encouragement to them. Bills of great length of letter and blackness of ink had been distributed through the town. The Bar Association of Bloomington (Great enthusiasm.) Mrs. Hazlitt, of Michigan, had promised to give the light of her countenance, and Mr. Bradwell, of Illinois, would not be more than a thousand miles from the Association while it was in session. Everything was looking encouraging for the auxiliary suffragist, and all the omens were favorable. It was also hoped that Mrs. Livermore could be persuaded to send her generous *afflatus* over the roof of Bloomington.

It was stated that Mrs. Della Harris was so disheartened that she had given up lecturing, and two or three profitable lecture engagements, in order that she might meet in convention with her sisters.

Further epistolary extracts were given, in which it was stated that there would be vocal music worthy of the grandeur of the occasion. A chorus was in training which would render popular melodies in the most finished manner. The services would be out to-day.

Mrs. Waite stated, *ex cathedra*, that the people of Bloomington were all favorable to the Convention, and that there was not a saloon in the city, and the revivalists would say, an "infuriating time." Bloomington contained a noble specimen of manhood in the shape of a Methodist minister, who had once adjourned his prayer-meeting in order to allow the suffragists to have a meeting. It returned the head to the table, to unite in contact with such men. Once when this clergyman of advanced ideas was asked if any lady should preach in favor of woman suffrage, he promptly replied that he didn't know of any who were opposed to it. This indicated a most hopeful state of things in Bloomington.

It was decided that all should be invited, but that the invitations should be issued by the executive manner, and also that notices of the Convention should be published, the holding of the Convention not having yet been advertised, except in the Bloomington papers. The Committee concluded that it would be of no use to ask the railroads to sell half-fare tickets on the ground that the Convention of General Ticket Agents having decided against that sort of thing.

Mrs. Wallace expressed the opinion that in the millennial time that is to be, when the General Government shall control the railroads as it now does the Post Office, we shall all, especially the women,--be able to go where we please and when we please.

Mrs. Waite said she did not know about that, and, some one moving an adjournment about this time, the Committee adjourned.

The meeting was quiet, as being the first since the fire. It was well conducted, the ladies being quite equal to the exigencies of the case. The proceedings were characterized by quiet and good-breeding. The style of dress was modest and not gaudy. Several ladies wore gold chains of great thickness, and the sight upon the altar of the cause at the first opportunity.

THE CITY IN BRIEF.

The Site for the Government Building.

On Tuesday Judges Drummond and Blodgett of the United States Circuit and District Courts, appointed L. C. P. Freer, E. T. Watkins, and E. W. Blatchford as the Commissioners to condemn the land in the block on one corner of which the old Post-office was located. They were to have unit yesterday morning in Room No. 21 Congress Hall, to organize, but did not do so, as Mr. Blatchford failed to make his appearance. The other two gentlemen were, however, sworn to make a fair and impartial valuation of the property according to law. Mr. Blatchford will probably be sworn by the Court this morning, and, if he is, the Commission will meet immediately, organize, and commence hearing the testimony of the owners of the lands and the block in question, and of real estate dealers who are informed of the value of property in its vicinity.

Serious Affray.

A very serious affray took place at 5 o'clock last evening, in the basement occupied by Emery & McFarland, roofing and cornice manufacturers, corner of Randolph and Canal streets. William Quinn, an employe of the firm of Abraham Knisely & Co., in company with another man, entered the first mentioned establishment and requested to be shown some of the work. Both of the men were under the influence of liquor, and were, as usual in such cases, rough and noisy. Their acts and words finally offended some of Emery & McFarland's workmen, and the latter ordered the fellows out. Quinn's companion said something very offensive to the people in the shop, and a general fight resulted. It has not been clearly ascertained who struck the first blow, but William Quinn came out of the fray with three immense cuts in his head, one being on the frontal bone. He bled profusely, and was conveyed to Union Street Police Station, where his wounds were attended to by the County Physician. The young man has been sent to his home on the North Side. It is feared that his wounds are dangerous. No arrests have as yet been made.

A Turbulent Spirit.

John Jaques is the keeper of a general boarding-house on Lake street. He is not remarkable for good temper, and, in one of his fits of blindness, made threats against the peace and happiness of his son, John Jaques, Jr. On being arraigned before Justice Scully yesterday, Jaques, senior, was fined $50 and costs for disorderly, and the defendant was fined $20, and held in $600 additional peace bonds.

The unfortunate subject was further charged with having assaulted his wife. The lady, however, did not put in an appearance, and the belligerent John Jaques, Jr., was allowed to go, after a lecture from Court with the punishment already inflicted.

The Schanbag Homicide.

Sergeant O'Donnell, of the Twelfth street station, yesterday succeeded in arresting Albert Kaiss who is suspected of having assaulted Albert Schnabag, whose death at the County Hospital was reported yesterday. The prisoner was seen in the company of the deceased on the night when the latter sustained his mortal injuries. Kaiss acknowledges having had a fight with Schnabag that evening but admits nothing more.

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--The Cadets of Temperance will meet at the Briggs House, this evening.

--Mrs. R. S. Williams, who recently resided at No. 318 North Carpenter st., is earnestly desired to communicate with Rev. E. Sullivan, No. 599 Wabash avenue.

--The regular monthly meeting of the Managers of the Home of the Friendless, will be held in the Home, this forenoon, at 10 o'clock.

--The regular meeting of the Douglas Benevolent Association, will be held this evening, in Room 8, No. 123 West Madision street. A full attendance is desired.

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THE CITY'S HEALTH.

Dr. Rauch's Monthly and Weekly Mortality Reports.

The Small-Pox Continues to be Held Firmly in Check.

There was no meeting of the Board of Health yesterday afternoon. Mr. Hoard being the only Commissioner present.

The report of Dr. Rauch, the Sanitary Superintendent, for the week ending Feb. 3, shows that there were 129 deaths, a decrease of three from the preceding week: Males, 67; females, 62. Their ages were: Under one year, 34; between one and two, 13; between two and three, 9 three and four, 6; four and five, 4; five and ten, 7; ten and twenty, 8; twenty and thirty, 8; thirty and forty, 12; forty and fifty, 7; fifty and sixty, 9; sixty and seventy, 7; seventy and eighty, 2; eighty and ninety, 2; one hundred, 1. Their nativities were: Bohemia, 3; Canada, 1; native Chicago, 17; foreign Chicago, 61; other parts of the United States, 16; England, 2; Germany, 13; Ireland, 12; Norway, 1; Nova Scotia, 1; Sweden, 1; Wales, 1; unknown, 2. Consumption caused the death of 16; brain diseases of 9; bronchitis of 10; convulsions of 9; congestion of the lungs of 6; pneumonia of 12; and small-pox of 12.

SMALL-POX.

The Sanitary Superintendent, in his remarks, says: Cases of small-pox and varioloid have been reported during the week at No. 1036 State street, No. 710 South Halsted, No. 66 Lake, No. 615 College Grove avenue, County Hospital, No. 173 West Erie, No. 38 West Erie, No. 69 West Indiana, No. 42 Twenty-sixth street, Clayton, between Ladin street and Blue Island avenue, No. 194 Newberry avenue, No. 97 Huron, corner of Twenty-first and Arnold, No. 183 Dayton, No. 16 Centre avenue barracks, No. 966 Church, No. 104 DeKoven, No. 34 Broadway avenue, No. 78 Milwaukee avenue, No. 480 North Franklin, No. 65 West Indiana, No. 47 West Indiana, No. 246 Blue Island avenue, No. 418 North Halsted, No. 344 First, New Bridewell, No. 61 Blue Island avenue, No. 66 West Indiana, No. 61 West Indiana, No. 580 South Halsted, No. 32 Burlington, No. 113 South Canal, No. 63 West Indiana, No. 17 Lisle, No. 606 Arnold, No. 291 North Halsted, No. 1410 Indiana avenue (just arrived from New Orleans), No. 317 Centre avenue, No. 696 South State, No. 344 South Throop, No. 198 Mather, No. 158 Blue Island avenue, No. 466 West Erie, No. 35 Emma, No. 1 Emma, No. 800 Milwaukee avenue, No. 260 Orchard, No. 881 West Madison, No. 666 Milwaukee avenue, No. 46 North Green, No. 79 Blue Island avenue, No. 746 North Halsted, No. 75 Elgin, No. 76 Georgia, No. 249 West Randolph, No. 137 West Erie, No. 52½ Foster, and No. 97 West Madison. There is

A SLIGHT DECREASE

in the number of cases reported compared with the last week, and a hope soon to be able to report a period of diminution. Few cases occurred at the County Hospital in attendants who refused to be vaccinated. One of them is now dead. The case of Prince Centre's nurse barrack was a child, who had been imperfectly vaccinated. The number of

VACCINATED HOUSES

for the weeks ending as given is as follows: Dec. 16, 46; Dec. 23, 48; Dec. 30, 49; Jan. 6, 53; Jan. 13, 57; Jan. 20, 58; Jan. 27, 58; Feb. 3, 58. For three months the small-pox has not increased much, and at this time it is found in isolated cases throughout the city. Not a case of varioloid has been reported yesterday. The prisoner was seen in the company of the deceased on the night when the latter sustained his mortal injuries. Kaiss acknowledges having had a fight with Schnabag that evening but admits nothing more. Kaiss was arrested by Officer Hayes yesterday in the employ of the Chicago Relief and Aid Society, in the north western and northern parts of the city, while the Sanitary Inspectors were engaged in vaccinating the inmates of infected houses and the people of the public and private schools who have not been vaccinated by their own physicians. In the inspection of the pupils of the schools the greatest tact and patience is required, but the completion of this duty is approaching. In this connection it is but just to say that the Board of Health is indebted to the services of

MONETARY AND COMMERCIAL.

MONETARY.

TUESDAY EVENING, Feb. 6.

In the money markets, generally, the supply of funds is ample. In the Eastern markets the demand is light, and there is a decided tendency in floating capital to seek investment in securities of one kind or another, particularly in railroad bonds of well-established character, and in Government bonds.

In the local market the supply of money is being diminished by the increasing amount locked up in grain, and by some increase in the demand from other trade interests. The supply, however, is fair here yet, and parties who can make first-class paper get accommodated at the ordinary 10 per cent. Demand loans on Government bonds would be made at about a per cent.

Exchange was lower, and sold between banks 30-day bt 600 per $1,400 discount. This shows that our banks are finding it necessary to call their money home from New York. At the counter, bankers sell at 1-16 premium, and buy at 1-16 discount.

REDEMPTIONS OF MUTILATED CURRENCY.

From time to time it has been urged by interested parties in New York, that a "Central Redemption Bank" should be authorized by law through which all the National Banks of the country should redeem their notes, at least the mutilated ones. On a small scale, the success of this sort of an institution has grown up without legislation, by the arrangement which some of the New York small Banks have made with the First National Bank of Washington City. Every conception of their receipts of mutilated currency, National legal-tenders and fractional. As compensation, the First National of Washington receives a small deposit from each of its customers, free of interest. The arrangement is found to work satisfactorily to all who have tried it, and may grow into something more important.

LIMITATIONS ON INSURANCE.

The Legislature of Massachusetts is now considering the expediency of limiting the amount of the risks which shall be taken in any one city or town by fire insurance companies doing business in that Commonwealth. In some respects this would be a wholesome check on insurance companies, and is worthy of the attention of our own Legislature who are now trying to frame an insurance law for Illinois. It would accomplish what was probably intended in the ridiculous clause in the Illinois bill—reviewed in this column yesterday,—which requires that the companies "shall not expose themselves to a loss of over 5 per cent of their capital in any one fire."

RECEIVERS VS. BANKRUPTCY.

The New York *Journal of Commerce*, of the 27th ult., has the following in regard to New York insurance companies rendered insolvent by the fire in that city:

It appears that some of the sufferers at the Chicago fire have been persuaded that it is better for the insolvent insurance companies now in the hands of Receivers that they should go into Bankruptcy, and not under the National act. The object of those who advise this course is evidently to get the matter of these companies out of the expected litigation, and peculiarly responded to by parties here, who sought last month to have the Receivers of the Continental Insurance Company take this course. But the hands of Receivers are shaping their affairs so as to save their charters, and also keep back nearly half their assets, which are in the form of bills and bogus business again. These companies are with a view that the Chicago creditors do not desire to join in the movement, considering it bankruptcy, for the very reasons that the *Journal of Commerce* has mentioned. But, in order to avoid complications into court pending the contention that rumors that "the Chicago creditors" were in favor of putting them into bankruptcy.

The failure of the Independent Insurance Company of Boston—which had losses to something like $500,000 by the fire in this city, and assets to the same amount—has been followed by the failure of the Security Company of Hartford, Conn., on Jan. 1, 1871,—have got into a curious position in Massachusetts. The Company had been placed in the hands of a Receiver, Dexter Clemens having first called upon the Treasurer at the place of business, and not finding him in, repaired to the Union Depot, where he found him, after some conversation with the gentleman in charge, he was informed of the location of the corporation's funds. Mr. Clemens, in his official capacity, recommended to a locksmith, and, by his aid, proceeded to open the safe and remove its contents. Not finding any in the safe, the United States Court has issued a warrant in bankruptcy, so that a conflict between the State and Federal Courts seems inevitable.

STOCK AND BOND QUOTATIONS

for buying and selling Government bonds and securities in the New York market, this afternoon, are furnished by Messrs. Lunt, Preston & Kean, as follows:

	Buying.	*Selling.*
U. S. 6-20s of '62	115¼	115¾
U. S. 5-20s of '62	110	110¼
U. S. 5-20s of '62 (called)	110	110¼
U. S. 5-20s of '64	110	110¼
U. S. 5-20s of '65	111	111¼
U. S. 5-20s of '65, Jan. and July	110	110¼
U. S. 5-20s of '67, Jan. and July	110	110¼
U. S. 5-20s of '68, Jan. and July	110	110¼
U. S. 10-40s	110	110¼
U. S. currency 6s	114½	115
Northern Pacific gold 7-30s	110	110¼
Gold coin	109¾	110
Clock County 8s	100	101
Gold exchange	110	110¼
Sterling exchange	109½	110
Gold and gold coupons	109¾	110
Paris exchange, long	5.17½	5.16¼
Paris exchange, short	5.15¼	5.14¼
Agricultural College land scrip	173	175

LATEST.

NEW YORK, Feb. 6.—Gold firm at 110. Loans firm at 6 per cent. Sterling, $67,000,000.

Governments quiet and steady.

Stocks were buoyant this morning, at an "advance of ½ per cent, but during the afternoon the entire market sold off slightly, Ohio being particularly weak. The market at the close was steady, with some recovery from the lowest point of the afternoon. Business very small. Only active features were Pacific Mail, Canton, Quicksilver, New York Island, and Lake Shore. Canton advanced to-day on rumors that the company was about to sell the water front. Erie was weak, selling up to 31¾.

Money closed first-class at 6 to 7. During the day as high as 1-32 was paid.

Government bonds dull and steady.

Coupon, '81	115 1-8	Coupon, '67	113
Coupon, '62	110 1-2	Coupon, '68	113
Coupon, '64	110 1-2	10-40s	110 1-4
Coupon, '65	111	Currency 6s	114 1-4

Stocks closed:

Pacific Mail	74 1-4	N. J. C.	111 1-2
Western Union	74 3-4	St. Paul	36
New York Central	93	St. Paul pfd	57
Erie	31	Ohio & Miss	27 1-2
Reading	94 1-4	Illinois Central	127
Hudson River	97	Cleveland & Pittsburg	97 1-4
New York Central scrip	92 1-2	Chicago & Rock Island	107
Mich. Central scrip	92 1-2	Pittsburg	97
Mich. Southern	93	Fort Wayne	97 1-4
Mich. Southern pfd	96	C. C. C. & I.	96
Cleveland & Pittsburg	97 1-4	C. R. I. & P.	107
Chicago & Rock Island	107	C. & P.	96
Pittsburg	97	Indiana Central	23 3-4
Fort Wayne	97 1-4	Ohio & Mississippi	27
C. C. C. & I.	96	Union Pacific	83 1-4
C. R. I. & P.	107	U. P. bonds	92 1-2
C. & P.	96	Sanduskey	73

COMMERCIAL.

TUESDAY EVENING, Feb. 6.

The following were the receipts and shipments for four years:

	Received.		*Shipped.*	
	1872.	1871.	1872.	1871.
Flour, brls	9,240	9,328	320	2,999
Wheat, bu	1,340	17,310	1,858	2,173
Corn, bu	50,190	81,248	20,183	11,006
Oats, bu	10,060	11,368	2,572	
Rye, bu	1,000	1,462	772	429
Barley, bu	4,250	1,600	2,950	1,000
Grass seed, lbs	100,600	81,145	153,142	15,300
Flax seed, lbs	6,320	726		
Broom corn, lbs		116,298		78,450
Provisions, lbs	218,930	160,217	823,046	1063,000
Pork, brls				1,519
Pork, lbs	2,611	678	238	678
Lard, lbs	144,410	224,564	67,500	227,656
Tallow, lbs	4,000	13,342	20,610	
Cheese, lbs	43,425	61,077	7,160	11,700
Dressed hogs, No.	3,490	2,800	3,741	4,026
Cattle, No.	1,705	1,600	2,054	2,370
Sheep, No.	1,705	1,600	1,040	948
Hides, lbs	1,595	277	682	436
Lumber, m. ft.	168,610	124,165	46,692	169,699
Shingles, m.	85	277	268	199
Salt, brls	5,000	8,650	14,100	26,382
Hay, tons	656	999		
Lead, pigs, lbs	4,000	137	405	1,251
Lead, bars, lbs	885	1,180	209	1,018
Lead, bbls	572		45	50
Ashes, brls	1,240	972	1,484	

Withdrawn yesterday for city consumption: 1,276 bt wheat; 1,589 bu oats; 110 bu rye; 1,224 bu barley.

Barley grain has been inspected into store to 10 o'clock this morning: 4 cars No. 2 cars corn; 9 cars oats. Total, 64 cars, or 2,240 bu.

The produce markets were moderately active to-day, as compared with the average of the past two or three weeks, with a considerable excitement in some departments, though not continued through the session. There was little change in prices, except in provisions, which were weak all day, and dropped more heavily than on any recent day this season.

Hardware were inactive and dull. Holders asked no yesterday's figure), but there were no buyers at over 8c, which was the quotation from Boston.

Live hogs were fairly active, but irregular. The packers were in the market for light hogs, which they willingly paid $6 10 per 100 lbs. Heavy hogs were taken slowly and only at concessions on a reduction of 5c, in consequence of the lower price of pork. Few of these were offered at over $6 30. Sales were reported of 4,000 at $6 10@6 30.

Lake freights were inactive. The market was nearly firm at 11c for corn by sail to Buffalo, but vessels were active but weak, but the demand for propelled tonnage was but the precedent to a decline, which was extended to all descriptions except grain boats. The receipts of lumber, shingles and salt were large, and the market steady. Coal, in spite of the severe weather, was dull and weak.

The following were the receipts of grain and flour, and shipments for the past twenty-four hours:

	Flour.	*Wheat.*	*Corn.*	*Oats.*	*Rye.*	*Barley.*
	Brls.	*Bush.*	*Bush.*	*Bush.*	*Bush.*	*Bush.*
Receipts	9,240	1,340	50,190	10,060	1,000	4,250
Shipments	320	1,858	20,183	2,572	772	2,950

The leading markets were as follows:

FLOUR—Receipts, 9,240 brls; shipments, 320 brls. Market quiet and steady, being rather scarce. The following was the closing range of quotations: Extra spring, cash or seller February, $12 25@12 50; do seller March, $12 00@12 40; do seller April, $12 00@12 40; do seller May, $12 00@12 40; do seller April, $12 00@12 40; do seller February, $8 75; do seller March, $8 85@8 90; do seller April, $9 05; do seller May, $9 25. Green for choice clear; and $6@6 50 for shorts; $5@5 50 for mixed meats; $5 75@6 for hams. Dry salted shoulders, $5 50@5 75; do clear sides, $6 75@7; do short ribs, $6 62½@6 75. Lard, $8 50@8 62½ for choice to prime. Bacon quoted at 60 for shoulders, 8½@9 for short rib, 9½@10 for short clear, and 10½@10¾ for hams. Mess beef, $6 75@7 00; extra do, $10 75@11 00.

CORN—Receipts, 50,190 bu; shipments, 20,183 bu. Market steady and firm. A fair amount of business was done, and prices per bu (average weight) were as follows: 1,000 bu seller March, at 41 7-8c; 5,000 bu do, seller March, at 41 3-4c; 5,000 bu do, seller March, at 41 5-8c; 5,000 bu do, seller March, at 41½c; 5,000 bu do, seller March, at 41 3-8c; 5,000 bu do, seller March, at 41¼c; 5,000 bu do, seller March, at 41 1-8c; 5,000 bu do, seller March, at 41c; 5,000 bu do, seller March, at 40 7-8c; 5,000 bu do, seller March, at 40¾c; 5,000 bu do, seller April, at 42 3-8c; 5,000 bu do, seller April, at 42 1-4c; 5,000 bu do, seller April, at 42 1-8c; 5,000 bu do, seller April, at 42c; 5,000 bu do, seller April, at 41 7-8c; 5,000 bu do, seller April, at 41¾c; 5,000 bu do, seller April, at 41 5-8c; 5,000 bu do, seller April, at 41½c; 5,000 bu do, seller April, at 41 3-8c; 5,000 bu do, seller April, at 41¼c; 5,000 bu do, seller April, at 41 1-8c; 5,000 bu do, seller April, at 41c; 5,000 bu do, seller April, at 40 7-8c; 5,000 bu do, seller April, at 40¾c; 5,000 bu do, seller May, at 42 3-8c; 5,000 bu do, seller May, at 42 1-4c; 5,000 bu do, seller May, at 42 1-8c; 5,000 bu do, seller May, at 42c; 5,000 bu do, seller May, at 41 7-8c; 5,000 bu do, seller May, at 41¾c; 5,000 bu do, seller May, at 41 5-8c; 5,000 bu do, seller May, at 41½c; 5,000 bu do, seller May, at 41 3-8c; 5,000 bu do, seller May, at 41¼c; 5,000 bu do, seller May, at 41 1-8c; 5,000 bu do, seller May, at 41c; 5,000 bu do, seller May, at 40 7-8c; 5,000 bu do, seller May, at 40¾c; 5,000 bu do, seller March, at 41 7-8c; 5,000 bu do, seller March, at 41 3-4c; 5,000 bu do, seller March, at 41 5-8c; 5,000 bu do, seller March, at 41½c; 5,000 bu do, seller March, at 41 3-8c; 5,000 bu do, seller March, at 41¼c; 5,000 bu do, seller March, at 41 1-8c; 5,000 bu do, seller March, at 41c; 5,000 bu do, seller March, at 40 7-8c; 5,000 bu do, seller March, at 40¾c; 5,000 bu do, seller February, at 42 3-8c; 5,000 bu do, seller February, at 42 1-4c; 5,000 bu do, seller February, at 42 1-8c; 5,000 bu do, seller February, at 42c; 5,000 bu do, seller February, at 41 7-8c; 5,000 bu do, seller February, at 41¾c; 5,000 bu do, seller February, at 41 5-8c; 5,000 bu do, seller February, at 41½c; 5,000 bu do, seller February, at 41 3-8c; 5,000 bu do, seller February, at 41¼c; 5,000 bu do, seller February, at 41 1-8c; 5,000 bu do, seller February, at 41c; 5,000 bu do, seller February, at 40 7-8c; 5,000 bu do, seller February, at 40¾c; 5,000 bu do, seller March, at 42 3-8c; 5,000 bu do, seller March, at 42 1-4c; 5,000 bu do, seller March, at 42 1-8c; 5,000 bu do, seller March, at 42c; 5,000 bu do, seller March, at 41 7-8c; 5,000 bu do, seller March, at 41¾c; 5,000 bu do, seller March, at 41 5-8c; 5,000 bu do, seller March, at 41½c; 5,000 bu do, seller March, at 41 3-8c; 5,000 bu do, seller March, at 41¼c; 5,000 bu do, seller March, at 41 1-8c; 5,000 bu do, seller March, at 41c; 5,000 bu do, seller March, at 40 7-8c; 5,000 bu do, seller March

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THE PRESIDENTIAL OUTLOOK.

The people of the early and monarchical period—at which Shakspeare remarked that "Such divinity doth hedge a King," &c.—would have, perhaps, cared very little what kind of hedge surrounds a President. Yet a President, while in office, certainly dwells in the midst of a sort of auroral mirage, very much resembling in character the supposed divine œriflamme that surrounds and heralds majesty. It imparts to him attributes which he does not possess, concentrates upon him a great portion of the patriotic respect due to the institutions over which he presides, and renders him, in the eyes of many, the impersonation of the National greatness. It is deemed a kind of loyalty to country as well as party to believe in and support him. Every President, on his entry upon the duties of his office, finds a public full of faith in this mirage. But, as he proceeds with the discharge of those duties, the ideal is dissolved in the real; the public become observant and critical, and any faults and weaknesses he may commit or disclose are as impartially judged in a President as in any minor officer. By the third year of a Presidential term, he stands before the country upon his individual merits as an Executive officer; if he cannot stand this test, he retires at last so much diminished that we wonder that he could ever have seemed to fill so large a space. The selection of a President by the people is a matter of taste, and the popular taste is not more to be argued with than that of the individual. It may admire Jackson for his heading and headstrong energy, Van Buren for his sagacity and caution, Harrison for his modesty, Taylor for his simplicity, Buchanan for his conservatism, Lincoln for his honesty, and Grant for his tenacity. It seldom repeats itself, and its tendencies, therefore, can only be determined as we do those of the wind, by watching the straws, and observing the pointing of the weathercocks.

One of the straws which now points which way the wind is blowing is the frequent mention of rival candidates for the Presidency, where, six months ago, no rival candidates could be found. Each of these indicates the belief of its mover that success is to be found under the standard he proposes. The average success of the public life of Schuyler Colfax—and the fact that, after a varied and long experience in public life, no stain of corrupt inducement or favoritism attaches to him, is alleged by the Cincinnati *Commercial*, and other journals of power and forecast, as presenting just that quality which will strike the popular mood at this juncture, in view of the nature of the chief complaints against the present Administration. It is felt that Colfax understands politics himself, and could not be used by a Conkling, or Cameron, or Murphy, in a manner unfortunate for the party and injurious to the country, without knowing it. Several Journals of Iowa are proposing the Hon. James F. Wilson, evidently to meet the popular demand for a man who represents large statesmanship, coupled with unsullied purity. A New York journal, boasting its hundred thousand circulation, proposes Lyman Trumbull for President. The names of Horace Greeley, Henry Wilson, James G. Blaine, J. R. Hawley, O. P. Morton, B. Gratz Brown, and Senator Buckingham have been mentioned.

Among that class of politicians who, three months ago, could see but one candidate, there is now an anxious query, whether President Grant is reasonably certain of carrying several important States, wherein confessedly serious political blunders have been made. New York, Missouri, Louisiana, Georgia, and perhaps Indiana, will come, it is feared, against Grant, if he is renominated. Their loss would probably cost us the field. Such a ticket, however, as Trumbull and Blaine, or Wilson and Colfax, or Colfax and Hawley, would carry either of these States without losing the vote of any that could be got for Grant.

Every political campaign has its watchword, that gives the clue to the popular sympathy. All the signs of the times indicate that the key-note of the Republican party in the next campaign will be Reform in public administration. With such a spirit, a candidate who needs to be defended and apologized for, explained and cleared up at every point, is simply not available. To all such the people will apply the French motto, *qui s'excuses'accuse*. He must be above the necessity of defence.

Very sensibly and rapidly, therefore, the arena in which we had expected to witness a dress-parade is filling up for a stirring contest. President Grant has identified himself with a few men of wealth, with a few of some local political cunning, who have been wiser for themselves than for him. To use a simile of his own, they have "bottled him up" too securely for the country to get at him. By these unfortunate influences, the good in his Administration has been neutralized and negatived, until a journal like the New York *Independent*, a year ago, pronounced it "too good to be bad, and too bad to be good." We do not attempt yet to predict the result of the struggle; but we do predict that there is already a struggle preparing, and that it will prove a serious and important one.

A GIGANTIC SUBSIDY.

The International Steamship Company has had a memorial before Congress for several sessions, asking a National subsidy to build steamships. This Company proposes to erect an iron ship-building yard, with docks and facilities, including blast and refining-furnaces, rolling-mills and workshops, by which ores can be converted into superior iron, and this, without cost of transportation and handlings be worked into ships and machinery, and the vessel built complete in every respect. In short, it proposes to so cheapen the cost of production that iron vessels can be built in this country for less money than they can be built for elsewhere. The Company, arguing from what they assume to be facts, show that this can be done, and in so doing demonstrate the hollowness of the pretence that the protection now given to the iron interests in any way increases the wages of labor. They show, first, that the American ores produce iron from 75 to 80 per cent stronger than the iron of England; that, in the construction of a steamship of equal capacity, the weight of iron used in the American vessel is proportionately less, at the same time admitting advantages in architecture not attainable in the heavier English vessels. This American ore can, by the new processes, be converted into metal for less money than can the English iron, and that without any reduction of the wages of labor.

The great difference in the cost of iron to the American and the English ship-builder is in the wasteful neglect of economy in American production. In this country we transport the ores to the coal, or the coal to the ores, by rail; we then transport the pig-metal to the refining-furnaces and rolling-mills; these are generally in the interior; and thence we transport the plates and bars by rail to the ship-yard. Each time this metal is handled, from the time it leaves the mine in the shape of ore, until it is delivered at the ship-yard, there is something added to the cost, and the ship-builder, in paying for his iron, pays more for the transportation it has had than he does for the metal. This is unquestionably true, and it is the result of that extraordinary policy of our Government which has enabled the men owning the iron mines to become also the owners of the coal mines, and of the various railroads and canals by which these articles are moved to and fro. When the price of pig-iron is complained of, these gentry show the enormous rates they pay for transportation of ores and coal. The Onondaga Salt Company owns its own coal mines, and, if we mistake not, the transportation from that mine to the salt works. In its exhibit of the cost of producing salt, it exhibits the enormous cost of coal and of its transportation, which, it complains, consumes its profits on the salt. In England, coal at the pit's mouth hardly costs any more than it does in the United States; but the Transportation Company, being the same in this country as the owner of the mine and of the furnace, charges excessive rates, and, though these charges come out of one pocket to go into the other pocket of the same men, our Congress levies a tax of 50 per cent on the iron to enable these poor men to pay transportation on their coal!

This International Steamship Company propose to select some point on the coast, and thereon to erect blast and other furnaces; by means of their own transportation, they bring the ore and the coal together, making their own pig; in adjoining shops they propose to make their own steel, and in other shops to forge their own engines and machinery, cast their own beams and plates, and do all their own work. They then propose, all in the same yard, to build their own docks, and in those docks build their steamers, thus sending out, in the shape of finished, perfect steamships, the metal received in the shape of coal and ore. It is assumed, and we have no doubt correctly, that the ship can be put afloat at a cost per ton of metal, for less money than the same metal can be now purchased and delivered for at any shipyard; certainly, the Company assert, and make out their case, that the steamships can be put afloat at a less cost than they can be made for in any English ship-yard. All this, it should be remembered, without any reduction of the present assumed high rates of labor.

But to start this Company with this immense scale of operations will cost money; and the Company propose to issue five millions of dollars of their bonds, and deposit them in the National Treasury, and ask that the United States shall kindly guarantee to pay the same, with the interest thereon. In other words, the United States are asked to lend the Company five millions of dollars. It is but just to state that the Company propose to do all the mending and repairing for the navy, which they say can be done, at a large profit, for less than one-third the present expenditure. Ten per cent of the earnings of the Company on Government work, and 5 per cent on all other work, is offered as sinking-fund to repay the loan and interest. In consideration of this aid, the Company propose to put afloat various lines of steamers, and carry the mails for the postages.

We have stated the substance of this memorial, not for the purpose of commending it, but to show the ingenuity with which men devise expedients and plans to restore ship-building, and the dexterity with which they avoid the one plain and direct mode. The only obstacle in the way of the immediate starting of iron ship-building in the United States is the price of iron; this memorial shows that the additional cost of labor in this country is more than overcome by the superiority of the iron; and that the excessive cost of the iron is the tax thereon. That tax stands in the way of American iron ship-building. By repealing the tax on iron and steel, steamship building will begin in all parts of the Union on a scale of magnitude, which will equal that of any other nation. By repealing the tax, there will be no occasion for National loans to private companies, and American industry and minds, relieved from a tax of many millions of dollars, will share the blessing with the shipbuilders.

SOCIAL RIGHTS OF THE NEGRO.

Mr. Sumner's amendment to the Amnesty bill, now pending in the Senate, which is clearly not germane to the bill, and ought to have been introduced as a separate measure, if at all, contains about an equal admixture of truth and error. It is right as far as it demands legislation in behalf of the negro which is within the province of legislation,—wrong when it attempts to legislate on matters which are to be settled by sentiment and personal choice. Congress may enact what shall be done by every individual in that individual's relations to the public and to the nation; it cannot, by any form of legislative action, limit or increase his likes and dislikes in a matter which is one of mere taste or sentiment.

The negro has been invested with the dignity of citizenship, and, by virtue of that fact, has been endowed with certain general privileges which pertain to all other citizens. Every right enjoyed by every other citizen belongs to him,—nothing more, nothing less. When Senator Sumner or any other legislator attempts to do more than this, he transcends constitutional privilege and makes the negro offensive. As a citizen, he has the clear right of suffrage; the right to be a juror; the right to appear as a witness in Courts; the right to enjoy the advantage of public conveyances and inns; the right to avail himself of education in the public schools; the right to sue and be sued; and the right to conduct any form of business he may choose. These are in their nature franchises which it is in the power of law-makers to grant, and which they have necessarily granted in the very instrument which removed the previous disabilities of the negro and elevated him to the plane of citizenship. Beyond this, the law-makers have not the power to go. They have no more right to enact by statute that the negro may occupy the same pew in church with a white man, or the same church, for that matter, than they have to enact that A shall admire only the Apollo Belvidere, and no other statue, or that B shall delight in the perfume of a peony when he prefers a pink. If a manager builds a theatre for a certain class of citizens, and publicly announces that he is entering to the pleasure of that class, Congress has no more right to interfere with this private enterprise and legislate another class into a man's private box or upon another man's sofa, than it has to compel a merchant to take a Chinaman for bookkeeper. If John Roe, being white, prefers to sit at table by the side of a white man, Congress has no right to declare that his preferences cannot be recognized, and that Richard Doe, being black, shall eat from the next plate. If A has friends or relatives sleeping in the graveyard, and has a superstition that they would sleep less quietly if a negro were next neighbor, or that they would be mortified on resurrection morning to be waked up in such company, or if in any way it would be repugnant to the feelings of the living to establish such an incongruous association, Congress has no right to legislate the negro into that graveyard, any more than it has to declare that Pompey Johnson shall go to Mrs. Japonica's soiree, and insist upon being that lady's escort during the evening and her partner in the German. Any legislation which assumes to control social pleasures, or interfere with social sorrows, is not only offensive, but impotent. By the tacit consent of mankind, everywhere, all matters of etiquette, sentiment, and personal likes and dislikes, have been settled by certain society rules, which may be modified or infringed at personal option alone, not upon legal compulsion. Custom long ago established the precedents in such cases. Cemeteries have always been distinctive in character. Protestants, paupers, Catholics, Jews, Mohammedans, Indians, and negroes, sleep in their own odor of sanctity, and will have the pleasure of rising at the sound of the trumpet with their own kind, to associate indiscriminately ever after in that place where all are alike, and there is no distinction of race, or color, or sect. The same rule holds good at a man's table, in his pew, or his opera-box, or under any condition which is a mere matter of sentiment; and any man is more than foolish who seeks to regulate sentiments, or overcome social prejudices, by act of Congress.

The Supreme Court of Illinois recently confirmed the verdict of a Chicago jury in the suit of a Mrs. Wallace, for libel, against the Chicago *Times*, whereby its proprietors were adjudged to pay $2,500 for having made an unwarranted statement. The libel was accidental rather than malicious, and was so declared by the Supreme Court in its decision. It is characteristic of the spirit in which that journal is conducted, however, that it now seeks to avenge the decision by an attack upon Chief Justice Lawrence, who spoke for the Court in rendering it. Forgetting that to the impartiality of that same Court the *Times* is indebted for the reversal of a former verdict in the same case, for a much larger sum, the *Times* seems to think the duties of a Court incomplete until they have decided all questions in its favor.

Its assertions that Judge Lawrence once "descended from the bench to attack, in the most unwarrantable manner, the Bishop of Illinois; that the assault was unfounded, false, and vulgar"; that it was a "libel;" that Judge Lawrence had "since admitted that he regretted this attack," and "was misinformed in his charges," are a mass of fictions, having no other basis than the able debate which Judge Lawrence and Bishop Whitehouse conducted through the columns of THE TRIBUNE, concerning certain points of canon law involved in the Bishop's action toward a church in Galesburg, at which Judge Lawrence was a regular attendant, though not, we believe, member. It included no libel on either side. Bishop Whitehouse complained of nothing in it as libellous or even discourteous, though there was a sharp conflict of opinion and of policy. It included no charges against the Bishop, still less any that were false. Nor has Judge Lawrence admitted his regret for it. But the *Times* charges, as a double offence, that Judge Lawrence has admitted his regret for it and its falsehood, and yet has made "no retraction, however insufficient." The *Times* ought not to let its own charges contradict each other. There is really very little need that we should point out the errors of an accuser who gives the lie to himself.

The press and the Bench owe reciprocal duties to each other of the most important and delicate character. Both are conservators of public morals, and largely of private rights. Both are, in a certain sense, tribunals, the one of law and the other of opinion, which is the source of law. The Bench of Illinois has dealt with the press, as it has with all private interests, with purity and honesty. We hope it may be long before such tirades as that of the *Times* can swerve it from its even tenor.

The action of the United States Senate, on the subject of allowing a drawback on building materials used in the burnt district of Chicago, is doing this city much injury. Relying upon the unanimous vote of the House of Representatives, and the affirmative vote of the Senate, there being but six dissentients in the latter body, future operations in building have been predicated upon the reduced price of materials. It is an important item in the making of contracts, and has an immense influence on the character and style of buildings, whether the materials are to be had from 25 to 45 per cent less that present prices. The action of the Senate in reconsidering the bill, and allowing it to remain unacted on, is dealing with us most injuriously. The delay in acting on the bill suspends all business here. All plans of improvement, all contracts for work and for material, are arrested, and must stay so until the Senate shall act on this bill. If that body intends to persist in its purpose to levy a tax on this city of $20,000,000 for the benefit of the iron manufacturers of Pennsylvania, Ohio, and Missouri, and the lumber merchants of Michigan and Wisconsin, it would be kindness to let us know the fact; if it is the intention of the Senate to pass the bill, the great value of it would be to pass it at once. It is a refinement of cruelty to leave the people of Chicago in suspense,—delaying every arrangement for rebuilding the city, for no possible reason whatever. We trust, therefore, that the Senate will take a vote upon the bill, and, if we are to pay this enormous tax for the privilege of rebuilding, let us know the fact, and proceed accordingly.

The United States Court has appointed Messrs. L. C. P. Freer, E. T. Watkins, and E. W. Blatchford, Commissioners to appraise, under the Condemnation law, the value of the block of ground at present partially occupied by the Government building. These gentlemen are men of high personal character, intelligence, and acquaintance with the values of city real estate, and cannot be influenced by any motive except that of strict justice in the premises; and no person in this community will venture to question the fairness of the award they may make.

Under the law passed by Congress, it is made the duty of the Secretary of the Treasury to purchase *that block*, provided the same can be had for a fair and reasonable price for the ground. The law does not limit the sum to be paid, nor does it contemplate any comparison of the sum with that for which any other block may be purchased. It directs the purchase of that block if the same can be had for a fair and reasonable price for *that* land. When these Commissioners, whose verdict will be conclusive as to the fact of value, determine what is a fair and reasonable price for that block, we do not believe that the Secretary will substitute his opinion for theirs as to what is a fair and reasonable price. We presume that he will at once comply with the law, and complete the purchase.

The remonstrance presented in the Common Council, on Tuesday night, by certain manufacturers of this city, against Section 3 of the Fire Ordinance, which requires all smokestacks for stationary boilers to be built of brick, and not less than 75 feet in height, states, as the opinion of the remonstrants, that such an ordinance would prevent the establishment of manufactories here, and drive out most of those already here. Such remonstrating as this is childish babble. A manufacturer who cannot afford to build a brick chimney must be doing a business so small as not to add very materially to the interests of a city one way or another. If this section is passed, and business warrants business men in coming here, brick chimneys will arise in every portion of Chicago as thickly as they do in other cities. A 75-foot brick chimney would not stand in the way of a manufacturer of ordinary enterprise.

The clouds of war begin again to gather thickly on the horizon of unhappy France, and any day may bring the intelligence of the civil strife which sooner or later must result in placing the Bonapartist element in power again. A hint of the coming change is afforded in the fact that the Assembly, on Monday, was tumultuously discussing a motion for the establishment of a Provincial Commission, to govern the country in case the Assembly is illegally dissolved; and that an attempt was made to assassinate M. Thiers on the evening of the same day.

The general tone of the market is a pretty sure indicator of public sentiment. Judging, therefore, from the fact that the latest private despatches, yesterday, from Liverpool, showed a decline in the markets all round, it would not seem that the English operators attach any particular significance to the Alabama flurry, or anticipate any immediate disturbance of the relations between the two countries. A falling grain-market is not indicative of rising temper.

William and Mary College, of Virginia, has had a noteworthy history. It is, next to Harvard, the oldest institution of learning in the country, having been chartered by William and Mary in 1692, and liberally endowed by them, in order to win over to the House of Orange the loyalty to the Stuarts which the Battle of the Boyne had failed to destroy in the Southern Colonies. It began to receive students almost immediately thereafter, but its permanent buildings (which were designed by Sir Christopher Wren) were not finished until 1723. From that time the College throve apace until 1859, when the old buildings were completely destroyed by fire. Within a year they were replaced, however, and Williamsburg swarmed with students until May, 1861, when the actual presence of war closed the institution. Its doors were soon opened again for other purposes: The dormitories were turned first as barracks, and afterwards as a hospital for the Federal troops, for the next year. From May to September of 1863 they stood tenantless. On the 9th of the latter month the Confederates carried the town, but, after a few hours of possession, retired, and a portion of the United States troops, who reoccupied it, fired the College buildings. They were almost entirely destroyed. A few days ago a petition was filed for a grant of $60,000 in compensation for this outrage. The petition was referred to the Committee on Education and Labor, which has just reported a bill to appropriate the amount asked for. The request is certainly a just one, and yet the Committee's report says, curiously enough: "The memorialists make no demand as of right, or as an appeal to the justice of the United States. * * * They do appeal to the generosity of the Government." This seems poor policy. A Government, above aught else, should be just before it is generous. In fact, in it generosity is no virtue, for the simple reason that its exercise almost inevitably results in injustice to some one else. It is doubtless generous to give protection to the iron-monopolists of Pennsylvania, but it is making them rich at useless expense to their customers. We regret, then, this appeal to the generosity of the nation. Let William and Mary College ask for justice, and not for favoritism, and let justice be done her.

The Presbytery of Brooklyn met Monday morning to consider the heinous crime of the Rev. T. L. Cuyler in allowing the Rev. Miss Smiley to preach from the pulpit of his church. Mr. Cuyler, who was asked for his defence, made a good one, arguing that the Bible was non-committal on the subject of woman's functions in the Church; that the Book of Church Government said neither yea nor nay in the matter; and that it was, therefore, to be left entirely to common sense and circumstances. He closed by citing precedents for his action from the Baptist, Congregational, and Methodist denominations. Ex-Mayor Lambert, who is an Elder in Mr. Cuyler's Church, stated that the congregation upheld their pastor. This closed the defence. A wise clergyman, Spear by name, said that the whole matter was insignificant, and moved that it be indefinitely postponed. Unfortunately, the motion did not prevail, and for four hours the assembled wisdom grappled with the problem of the necessity of rebuking the Rev. Mr. Cuyler for doing what he was allowed to do both by the Bible and the Book of Church Government, but not by the Presbytery of Brooklyn. Evening brought adjournment, but not a decision, and the weighty question will be argued anew.

The report for January of the Department of Agriculture contains some interesting statements in regard to the manufacture of beet sugar. The failure of the first experiments at Chatsworth, in this State, and the cause of it, are duly noticed. Subsequently, experiments were made on Yellow Creek, near Freeport, with what success 800 regular pounds of sugar were made, in 1871, from the product of 200 acres of beets. But the largest success has been realized at Alvarado, in California, where a large sugar manufactory has been built, with a capacity of handling sixty tons of beets every twenty-four hours. The beets raised in the vicinity contain sufficient saccharine matter to pay the farmer well for raising them and leave a fair margin of profit to the manufacturer. In 1870, the company manufactured 500,000 pounds of sugar, and the past year, it is expected, the product will be doubled. The high price of labor in California has thus far operated as a serious drawback upon the beet-sugar culture, and withal it is clumsy and unskilful. As it is asserted that the cost of sugar to the people of the United States equals a tax of $70,000,000 a year, a very few years will, doubtless, be required to make the manufacture of beet sugar one of our largest and most successful industries.

Notwithstanding the caustic manner in which ex-Senator Ross is flaying "Subsidy" Pomeroy alive for the delectation of the good people of Kansas, the victim seems to be as happy as ever. In fact, he abounds in cheerfulness and good humor. He believes (from experience) in the beneficence of being unhampered by law, and loses no opportunity of testifying to that belief. His Senatorial effort consisted of an earnest plea in behalf of the right of the inhabitants of Georgia to marry whom they would, unvexed by reasons of race; for, quoth Pomeroy, in a fine burst of philanthropy, "The Senator has spoken of different races of men. This pains me. I know of but one race,—the human race." Such heartfelt love for all humanity is a new feature in the course of the Pride of Kansas. What makes it stranger is, that there is apparently no subsidy to be gained by it. Blest alone will reveal the object of the new departure.

When the National Education bill becomes a law, we trust that Florida will hasten to invest a portion of her funds in a school-house in her town of Lake City. A liberal sum should be devoted to the maintenance of an instructor for the adult population of this banner-town of ignorance, where a truthful citizen was held there lately, which, passed, with scarcely a dissenting voice, resolutions to drive away the Signal-Service observer, "because it was believed that his instruments caused the unexampled bad weather and large amount of rain which has fallen lately"! Lake City must surely have been peopled from Tenterden, England. In the year that the Goodwin Sands first became dangerous, a steeple was built on Tenterden Church, and it was gravely argued that Tenterden Spire was the cause of Goodwin Sands.

California, by virtue of her geographical position, will always have the first chance at our Oriental visitors. She is improving those chances just now in more ways than one. The miners and capitalists interested in her mines can unravel the whole subject of the gold and silver mines of Japan with Minister De Long, with the view to future operations in that country. Both the press and the people of San Francisco are also bringing a strong pressure to bear upon the Japanese officials to have their youths educated in California. They will be wise, however, if they remember the fate of the Heathen Chinee who had learned the ways that are dark and the tricks that are vain in California, and send their youths to the older institutions of the East, where they can obtain the simon-pure knowledge unalloyed with the false gold.

The California Assembly has ordered to engrossment, preparatory to passage, a bill exempting journalists from jury service. The passage of the bill was not asked for by the journalists, but it was conceded to them as a matter of right, upon the ground that they were engaged in public duties quite as necessary, and even imperative, as jury-service. Practically, the Courts everywhere make a discrimination in favor of journalists, but a formal law is more to the point. It is a public necessity that the newspaper be issued every morning, and this can only be done properly by the united efforts of the whole staff. No almost any other business a deputy can serve for the principal, but in journalistic duties there are no deputies.

Fifty mutineers from the native regiments of the British army have been condemned to be blown into pieces from cannon-mouths. It is not easy to understand the cause of this wanton barbarity. Death, in this way, is swifter, and probably far less painful (except in anticipation), than death by hanging. The latter form of punishment has been legalized, and has become so common that the idea of cruelty is but rarely attached to it. Justice is felt to have taken only her due, and there is no impression of vindictive revenge. In a civilized land, the friends of the criminal can at least pay the last sad rites to the body of their friend; it is only the savage who mutilates the dead.

The House of Representatives, on Monday last, amused itself on buncombe resolutions. One of these resolutions, offered by Mr. Brooks (Democrat), of New York, declared that the Thirteenth, Fourteenth, and Fifteenth Amendments had been legally adopted, and were now parts of the Constitution of the United States. Against this resolution, twenty-two Democrats recorded their names, and a large number retired from the House. Among those voting No were one from Pennsylvania and one from Indiana.

THE NORTHWEST.

ILLINOIS.

Quincy has a haunted house. It is situated on the southside of Vermont street, between Fourth and Fifth.

—Among recent deaths at Peoria are those of Samuel Palmer and J. Q. A. Daugherty.

—A memorial to Congress is in circulation in Quincy, asking a charter for a wagon and railroad bridge.

—A well of natural gas has been developed at Manlius, Bureau County.

—The Eigh distillery nets the Government $20,000 monthly.

—The City Attorney of Princeton has commenced suits against twelve saloon-keepers.

IOWA.

A boy of 14 occupies a pulpit at Marshalltown.

—Dubuque has a minstrel troupe of genuine negroes.

—A family named Wheeler, in West Davenport, lost two children, three weeks since, by scarlet fever, and three more at the same hour on Saturday last.

—The Agricultural College has had during the year 220 students, the estimated expenses of whom are placed at about $155 each. The average earnings have been $50 per year. Over $700 was received by the College in donations of various kinds.

—The Rev. Joel Edwards, of Marshalltown, recently sold, for a house and lot, a one-eighth heirship interest in the Edwards estate, which underlies Wall street, New York; and subsequently secured eighty acres of Iowa land for another fractional interest.

—There was a woman in Sioux City recently soliciting charity, representing that she had been burned out by a prairie fire. She wore around her a shawl which was badly damaged by fire,—all that she had left from the conflagration. The only bad feature about the case was her husband and two great beef-eating sons, who in the aggregate would weigh over 600 pounds, and in whose muscles slumbered power sufficient to convert a cord of wood in stove-length before breakfast.

WISCONSIN.

Colonel J. H. Gardner, late of LaCrosse, is now Superintendent of two railroads in Florida.

—On Wednesday, about a mile and a half from Marshall, the body of a German resident of that vicinity was found hanging in the concealment of the thick brush. The bird had picked out his eyes and tongue. He had been missing for six weeks, and doubtless committed suicide.

—More than half the grist-mills run by water-power in the vicinity of Mineral Point are idle for want of water to run them; and a majority of the wells and cisterns are dry.

—The Darlington *Republican* says that a very fine surgical operation was performed there recently on a German boy 19 years old. The operation consisted in the removal of nearly one-half of the largest bone of the leg, which had received severe injury in Germany nearly three years ago.

—A young lady at Fond du Lac was married without shoes or stockings, the other day, in accordance with an old whim that such an act would bring good luck.

—The Green Bay *Advocate* says: "The fact is becoming every year more apparent that the pine timber, that we have so long regarded as one of our greatest resources of wealth in Brown County, is being rapidly exhausted."

INDIANA.

Mr. and Mrs. Walker B. Rodman died at New Albany on Saturday, and their joint obsequies took place on Monday.

—The Terre Haute House has been sold to W. H. Hawkins & Son for $73,000.

—Arrangements for a National Bank at Charlestown have been completed. The capital is to be $50,000, with the privilege of increasing it to $100,000. M. E. Cole will be President, and Dr. Campbell Ray Cashier.

PERSONAL.

The Hon. Hocking H. Hunter, whose death at Lancaster, O., has been announced, was the first white child born on the Hockhocking River, and was for years associated with the Hon. Thomas Ewing in the practice of law. During the last fifteen years of his life he developed a special aptitude for or grasp of railroad cases, and so successful was he in these that in New York he was recognized as among the ablest railroad lawyers in the country.

—James Nelson Saviers, husband of the woman who killed his paramour in Stockton, Cal., some months since, is now telegraph operator at Treasure City, Nev., where he has dropped the Saviers, and goes by the name of James Nelson.

—Professor B. G. Northrop, Secretary of the Connecticut State Board of Education, who has been travelling abroad for about six months, arrived in New York on Thursday evening. During his absence he has visited about 1,200 schools in England, France, Germany, Italy, Switzerland, Belgium, and Holland.

—B. F. Allen, of Des Moines, known as the wealthiest man west of the Mississippi, was left an orphan in infancy, and was taken into the family of his uncle, Judge Finch, of Indianapolis, who he remained till he engaged in the Mexican war.

—As illustrative of the folly of selecting men for jurors who don't read the papers, the Indianapolis *News* relates that, in a noted trial for murder, a few years ago, one of the jurors, a resident of White River Bottom, ten or twelve miles below the city, testified that he had not been to the city for thirty years, and did not know who had been President since Andrew Jackson.

—"Buffalo Bill" was in Omaha on Saturday, where he sat for some photographs for the Grand Duke. He is described as tall, slim, with a frank countenance, piercing gray eyes, and long, curly hair; he wore a picturesque buckskin suit. It is tated that he has never been east of the Mississippi, but will reach New York to-day, where he is to be the guest of Ned Buntline.

—Governor Bradley, of Nevada, is hunting up his immense stock of horned cattle in Elko and Lander Counties, over 500 head of whom strayed away in the spring, leaving a deficit of 1,000.

—A San Francisco journal says: "The Japanese ladies, having investigated the female attendants at the Grand Hotel, and compared them, in their working clothes, with the ladies whom they see upon the streets, have concluded that the richer and poorer classes of American women are divided by physical development, and that the wealthy classes are distinguished from their less fortunate sisters by a hump upon the back, acquired by the strain of the parlor drawing. Their superstitions lead them to believe that magic arts are used to produce the growth of this deformity upon the persons of those whose wealth is acquired in their later years."

—Francis P. Blair, Sr., and his wife may occasionally be seen walking on Pennsylvania avenue, Washington, where they reside, leaning on old-fashioned, brass-mounted canes. Mr. Blair is nearly 81 years of age, and is feeble, but Mrs. Blair, who is a few years younger, carries her age well.

—A worthy citizen of Omaha has a wife who is cursed with an insatiable appetite for strong drink, and, as she obtains her supplies from a certain grocery and liquor store, he recently went to the proprietor, and begged him not to sell any more liquor to his wife. The proprietor of liquor declared that he would sell to whoever had money to buy. The husband called on the authorities, and earnestly asked if there was no law that would reach his case. As the liquor-seller had obtained a license, the husband was answered that nothing could be done for him. The woman, having no money to purchase whiskey on a recent day, went to the liquor-seller, and offered to exchange a gilt ring for a drink of whiskey, for a supply of whiskey, and he accepted it.

—The Emperor of Japan is to drive the elegant matched bay horses raised by S. S. Vaughn, of Jackson, Mich., they having been purchased by A. B. Chapin. The fire prevented a Chicago gentleman from completing negotiations, and George Crean, of Cincinnati, was a day too late.

—Captain Joseph P. Dobson, late a volunteer officer in command at the Rock Island Arsenal, has purchased the Madison County Railroad, running from Edwardsville to Alton, and entered the lists as a competitor for the increasing Asiatic traffic.

—The Pittsburgh *Leader* of Saturday says Wachtel went into the ladies' room at the Union depot in that city and waltzed himself into a seat close by the porcelain sign which reads "*For Ladies Only.*" The policeman on duty politely informed him that none but ladies were permitted in that room. Wachtel didn't propose to go just yet, and the officer wasted considerable politeness trying to convince him, but the singer insisted upon following the even "tenor" of his way. Firmness finally succeeded in dislodging him, whereat his voice didn't gush and gurgle and magnificently flow, but on the contrary it remarked very angrily: "If I was in Europe you wouldn't talk to me that way."

—Mrs. Mary A. Goodman, a colored woman of New Haven, died recently, leaving her whole property, about $6,000, to the scholarship fund of the Theological School, with the idea of aiding colored young men in their studies for the ministry. This woman has given the savings of a long life spent in such hard toil as washing and domestic service. Herself a member and regular attendant of the College Street Church, and thus accustomed to intelligent preaching, she felt that the time was coming, in the rapid progress of her race and people, when they would require a more highly-educated ministry; and it was after full deliberation and with real pleasure that she made the bequest. As she had provided no place for burial for herself, she was fitly interred in the lot in the Old Cemetery belonging to the University of which she has become benefactor.

—The Governor of Kentucky, notwithstanding his residence has sometimes been spoken of, and officially, as a palace, is at present condemned to dwell in a very ordinary and inconvenient domicil in the immediate neighborhood of the Penitentiary; but a bill has been introduced in the House, authorizing the Governor and Secretary of State to contract or exchange for a more suitable and commodious Gubernatorial mansion.

—A telegram was received at Louisville, on Sunday, from the Grand Duke, at Memphis, inviting Mrs. General Custar to join the party in its voyage down the river to New Orleans, and including Misses Mollie Morton, Alice Brannin, Nina Sturgis, and Mary Duncan in the invitation. Mrs. Custar left that afternoon, taking with her several of the young ladies invited.

—The Abingdon *Virginian* announces the death of Tobias Smyth, the oldest native citizen of Washington County, Virginia. He died at his residence, in sight of Emory and Henry College. The students of that institution, since its foundation, wherever scattered, will remember "Uncle Toby." Though subject always, in orchard, field, garden, and hen-roost, to the mightily raids of the mischievous or hungry students, he was ever the earnest and devoted friend of the College.

—A Mobile chap played itom a curious crowd of hotel-loungers in this wise: Seeing in the *Register* that General Spinner had arrived in the city, and was stopping at the Gulf City Hotel, a number of gentlemen called to pay their respects, and to their astonishment found that the General was not in, and, furthermore, that he had not arrived. Recourse was had, this time, to the hotel register and there they came across the well-known hieroglyphics of the United States Treasurer, which, upon an examination, proved to have been written by a facetious chap who had learned to imitate to a nicety the signature. The party acknowledged themselves badly sold, and adjourned to the bar.

—It is a circumstance worthy of note that, of the one hundred and thirty-eight members composing the present General Assembly of Kentucky, only twenty-four are lawyers by profession.

—The Doylestown (Pa.) *Democrat* says: "Dr. Lewis lectured in a neighboring town on physical culture, being very severe on wheat bread, meat diet, butter, etc., and very eulogistic of oatmeal mush and unleavened breakfast cakes. He disrusted his fair hostess in the morning, however, by passing his plate three times for well-buttered buckwheat, and utterly declined to taste the mush she had prepared at so much trouble."

—"The Ancient Governor" is the title of a colored man who has been body-servant to every Executive of Kentucky since 1824. It is said that a more dignified old African never travelled about this plane of action. He is about to receive from the State a pension of $12.50 per month.

MISCELLANEOUS.

The mumps is the fashionable complaint in Winchester, Ky.

—The Laramie *Sentinel* announces that the Union Pacific Railroad Company is busily engaged in building snow-fences along the worst cuts.

—Under the late act of the Kentucky Legislature, a party to a lawsuit in Louisville has given evidence in his own behalf.

—The gradual falling of the water in Lake Ontario nearly caused a water famine in Hamilton, Ont., last week. The authorities proved sagacious, and provoked Nature to her duty.

—Boston built, last year, 2,026 buildings, of which 96 were stone and the remainder brick.

—The San Francisco *Alta* says the case of Two Dimes *vs.* Two Bits will come up for trial in Washington before long. The petition for the coinage of two-dime pieces as substitutes for two-bit pieces was received with general favor by the business men of the State, and, after being signed by 2,500 persons, including many leading officials and capitalists, was forwarded to Washington.

—Toronto will to-day open its small-pox hospital, under the provisional superintendency of Dr. Hallowell.

—Cleveland is now receiving coal from Seville by the new Lake Shore & Tuscarawas Valley Railroad.

—The new Japanese coins have appeared in San Francisco. They are similar to our coinage in size and value.

—A new and careful bridegroom in Cleveland, kept the wedding-ring in his mouth during the fore part of the ceremony, so that he could find it when the proper moment arrived. He mumbled along all right until the minister winked at him as a hint to produce the ring, when, in his nervousness, he swallowed it, and, there being no stomach-pump on hand, he was stood on his head by three groomsmen, to recover the "golden pledge."

—The Cleveland *Leader*, of Monday, says: "The effects of the powerful magnetic storm prevailing over the Union, were first noticed on the telegraph lines in this city, about 9 o'clock in the forenoon. At times it was with difficulty that any of the wrestlis were worked, and upon no business could be done. Experiments were made with a delicate Prussian galvanometer at the Western Union office, by Mr. C. H. Summers and Mr. C. F. Stumm, who have charge of the operating department, to determine the strength and duration of these currents of electricity, and the frequency with which polarity was changed. The change was about half a second to one and one-half minute, and their strength, at times, equal to one hundred cells of the Grove battery. The interval between each charge was from a small fraction of a second to two minutes, while their polarity, sometimes once in a minute, and again at the rate of one hundred times per minute."

—One of Boston's weal

NEW PUBLICATIONS.

Law-Books---Schelten's "Spectrum Analysis."

Junius Theory---Periodical Literature and Literary Gossip.

UNMASKED: OR, THOMAS PAINE THE AUTHOR OF THE LETTERS OF JUNIUS AND THE DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE. Washington: Gray & Co. 1872.

This volume before us contains a rather interesting attempt, upon the part of an ardent admirer of Paine, to prove that the latter wrote "Junius" and the American and English letters between "Common Sense" and "Junius," and to refute the theory of Macaulay, that Sir Philip Francis and "Junius" were the same person. The author has made an ingenious, but one-sided, argument of the case, basing his theory upon the similarity of views of Paine and "Junius," and parallels between "Common Sense" and "Junius." But the views of many other writers are similar to those of "Junius," and parallels are by no means so close as can be drawn from other political writers of the same time, the writer overlooks one important fact, viz.: that the author of "Junius' Letters" must have been some one near the Throne, and intimately acquainted with the character and movements of Ministers; which Paine, prior to his arrival in this country, had never held position higher than that of Exciseman. Hence the argument is far from conclusive. It is probable, it is, nevertheless, a very interesting view of the whole case, and valuable, for the fresh light it throws upon the life and political work of Paine, than for any new light it sheds upon this perplexing mystery. Mr. Macaulay's theory still remains the most plausible one yet offered, and the dogmatic manner in which the author states his position, especially in the argument to prove that Paine wrote the Declaration of Independence, becomes offensive at times, and is treated then as absurdly as if he were conducting a criminal prosecution against Mr. Paine, and Lord Macaulay hardly fares at his hands. It is a one-sided argument, and a very one-sided man, and a very adherent of Mr. Paine and admirer of his.

MEDICO-LEGAL ANALYSIS, IN ITS APPLICATION TO COMMERCIAL SUBSTANCES, AND FOR THE PHYSICAL DETECTION OF THE HEAVENLY BODIES. By Dr. HERMANN SCHELTEN. Translated from the German by EMILY and CAROLINE LASSELL, and edited by WILLIAM ROBGINS, LL.D., C.L.D., F.R.S. New York: Scribner, Welford & Co. Chicago: Hadley & Co. 1872.

Spectrum analysis scarcely a dozen years, since the speculative analysis ceased to rank as a mere philosophical puzzle and took position as a leading department of scientific research, adapting to add largely to our knowledge of the constitution of things on the earth and the more remote portions of the universe. Yet, in the course of that brief period it not only attracted the attention, but aroused the efforts, of many of the most eminent investigators, but has rewarded them with a success that was at first almost unlooked for. The brilliant attempts to ascertain the chemical constitution of the sun and other heavenly bodies in a perfect and exhaustive review of the whole theory of chemical atomicity and combination, resulting in a widely extended knowledge of the subject, and the methods of analysis vastly superior to the old, which enabled the world to discover the existence of not less than four new elementary substances, and adding much to his knowledge of the

The science of optics was equally in its scope, in obedience to the novel and, armed with these new knowledge the student once more turned his the stars, to find an answer to the What are they made of?

The principle of the spectrum is so simple that it can be readily used without any special training for it, while the results arrived at by the novel that principle are so startling absolutely fascinating, even to the intellect. Hence it is no marvel many persons have entered upon with an enthusiasm almost un- ed, or that a wide-spread desire to obtain information on the subject form that shall not be too abstruse popular comprehension.

Of the work before us, it is very bulky book, profusely and beautifully illustrated, but contains no more than many a readable novel, while it is many times more interesting, if there be any of the old proverb, that Truth is stranger than fiction; and that proverb has already vindicated by the welcome which the numerous articles on the subject have appeared at different times in the columns of THE TRIBUNE. The book treats, the artificial sources of high degrees of light, and, then, shows how the same is affected by terrestrial substances, as a vaporizure, has been spread out in order, and examined till it has been found that the light given off by the chemical elements is distinguishable from that of all the rest, but the character of that light varies according to the luminous substance is in the state. The author goes on to show the various apparatus employed, and the influences of temperature and how the spectra of the most important

follows the astronomical part of the application of these facts to the of the sun, fixed stars, nebulæ, comets, planets, and the aurora borealis. In this case, the author has done and impressionment, but until the Court made any, and it was eminently proper that it should appear in Court and of the Court, decided that the injunction, be of the Court, dissolved that the judgment of the should therefore be reversed and discharged of the alleged

that the Court hear evidence of damages.

Periodical Literature.

The second number of the new *Kansas Magazine* has come to hand, and shows a very decided improvement upon the first issue. In this number, many of the papers are of a local character, and abound in reminiscences of the Border Ruffian days of Kansas. The most notable of these is a paper by Richard J. Hinton, detailing the adventures of the second Massachusetts Colony, which went to Kansas in 1856 to help make her a free State, and incidentally reviving recollections of John Brown and James W. Steele continues his contributes a paper on New Mexico, devoted to the geographical features of that country, and the mode of life of the people, especially as it regards their religious observances. Ward Burlingame discusses the "Abuses of Independent Journalism," with special reference to Kansas papers; claims that news is the essential of newspapers, and sharply criticises the use of personalities in the conduct of a paper. Charles B. Wilkinson contributes the second instalment of his "Border Annals," in which he graphically narrates all the movements in 1860 and '61, which led to the deliverance of St. Joseph from Rebel rule. The story of "Madame Reinhardt" is very dull and commonplace, and the insertion does not show over-careful editorship. James M. Harvey, in a paper called "Plutocracy," makes a searching review of the manner of conducting political movements in Kansas, and comments upon the demoralizing effects of bribery. John James Ingalls contributes a very readable paper called "Catfish Aristocracy," in which he draws a very vivid pen-picture of the degraded dwellers on the cleared bottom lands, the "white trash" of Kansas. The articles which do not possess a local significance are generally all brief, but excellent, both in matter and manner, with the possible exception of one of Walt Whitman's poems, "The Mystic Trumpeter," which, though more readable than anything he has ever published, and containing one or two stirring stanzas, is, as a whole, in his usual catalogue style. The papers referred to are a very interesting sketch of "Artemus Ward" an admirable article on "Weather," by R. S. Elliott; "Chat About an Old Engraving" ("Washington Irving and His Friends"), by Edgar W. Dennis; "Weaknesses of Woman," by Hattie McDaniel; "Birthday Sonnets," by F. B. Sanborn; a glowing sketch of "Joaquin Miller," by Enrique Farmer; "The Fine Arts in America," "The Literature of the Farm," by scholarly essay by the Rev. Charles Reynolds, D.D.; "Houses and Homes," by Mrs. Cora M. Downs; "Lady Hester Lucy Stanhope," by Mrs. Maria A. Stetson; "The Indian War Dance," by Milton W. Reynolds; and "In Church," a poem by Mrs. Annie F. Burbank. In the editorial department, the "A-Bee-Cees" collection of humorous paragraphs, which was commenced in the first number, is now styled "Gopher Scalps;" but it has not improved any with the change of name.

Among the miscellaneous late comers for February which have been laid upon our table are the *Herald of Health*, the most noticeable article in which is the remarkable essay on Pulmonary Consumption, written by Dr. Benjamin Rush, in 1800; the *Chicago Schoolmaster*, filled with educational intelligence; the *American Educational Monthly*; *American Homes*; and *Good Words for the Young*, George MacDonald's magazine, in which Mr. Mac Donald commences one of his most characteristic stories, entitled "Gutta-Percha Willie."

Lippincott & Co., of Philadelphia, are determined, apparently, to be known as the terminal, publishing house of the country. In addition to the magazine that bears their name, they have for some time past published *Good Words*, the *Sunday Magazine*, and *Good Words for the Young*, simultaneously with their first appearance in England; a few days ago we made mention of the fact that they had become the American publishers of the *Contemporary Review*, and now we have received from them the January number of *St. Paul's*, Anthony Trollope's magazine, which they supply to subscribers at less than the London rates.

The leading article in the March number of *Scribner's Monthly* is an illustrated one by Mr. George Alfred Townsend on "The Gheaspeake Peninsula." Dr. Samson, of Rutgers College, will speak to prove, in an article on "The False Claim of Mormonism," that polygamy is not justified by either Oriental or Biblical precedent; and Mr. Charles Dudley Warner will give the third of his series of "Back-Log Studies." This number will also contain an illustrated article by Bayard Taylor, and a story by Mr. Noah Brooks, "The Cruise of the Balboa." It is the story of a murderous tragedy on board a Coolie ship, and is founded on fact.

We learn from the Springfield *Republican* that Hjalmer Hjorth Boyesen is a Norwegian about 22 years old, now a Professor in a Swedenborgian college, Urbana, Ohio. His poem entitled *Atlantis* is original, and was written by him in English; not, as some suppose, a translation.

Anthony Trollope, the indefatigable, has begun a new story in the January number of *Good Words*, entitled "The Golden Lion." The equally inexhaustible Mrs. Oliphant commences her novel, "At His Gates," in the same periodical.

Orlf Hamilton is to have a salary of $3,000 as editor of *Wood's Household Magazine*.

Literary Miscellany.

The Rev. E. E. Hale is denominated the "Missionary Munchausen" in Leypoldt's trade circular.

—Bickle's miscellaneous essays, edited by Miss Helen Taylor, will be republished here by the Messrs. Appleton.

—Mr. Fields' "Yesterdays with Authors" will contain fifty new letters from Miss Mitford.

—Victor Hugo's new novel will be entitled "L'Ambassadeur d'une Republique."

—George Alfred Townsend is writing a serial for *American Homes*.

—The first part, entitled "The Sailing of the Swallow," of Mr. Swinburne's new poem, "Tristram and Iseult," is finished.

—The British Museum has a million books and more books on America than any library in this country.

—Richard Wagner's "Life and Works of Beethoven" has been translated by Albert E. Paraday, and will shortly be published by Benham & Brothers, of Indianapolis.

—The *Daily News* of London complains that the British public has received with discreditable apathy the plan proposal to erect by subscription a memorial to the poet Cowper.

—About the middle of February, the Harpers will issue a new household edition of Dickens' novels, in large octavo form, in paper covers. The illustrations are from designs made expressly for this edition, and the price is only fifty cents a volume.

—The alarming illness of George Sand, at her country house of Nohant, where she has chiefly lived for 20 years past, should prepare us for her death at any time. She is nearly 70 years old, and, though in vigorous health till lately, now herself in her villa, sustained only by coffee and such stimulants.

—Jean Ingelow, who is now 41 years old, is the daughter of a country banker, and in money matters is nicely provided for. She lives in great retirement, and her quiet London life is one of devoted purity and abounding charity. Most of the proceeds of her books are devoted to benevolent uses.

—The coming event from Holt & William's press is Baring-Gould's "Legends of the Patriarchs and Prophets." These legends are collected from various ancient Oriental works and modern translations and crystalized in a sometimes amusing, and always interesting dress. numerous Persian and Rabbinic traditions. Some of these stories attribute to the worthies of the Old Testament performances which, to say the least, were rather peculiar, and clash with our established ideas of persons and proprieties in a startling manner.

A new publishing undertaking, with several features of interest both to authors and the public, is announced by D. Appleton & Co. Professor E. L. Youmans, who has been in Europe for several months past, has made arrangements for bringing out a series of monographs, or compressed hand-books, on a wide range of topics, to be prepared by the most eminent scientific men of different countries, and to be known as the "International Scientific Series." The topics treated in this series will be those of equal interest to all reading communities; its general aim being to give in a popular yet popular expression to the latest and growing thought on the leading subjects of progressive inquiry. The various branches of physical, biological, philosophical, and social science, which have undergone marked revision within a recent period, will be so presented as to help to a better understanding of the phenomena of human nature and the economy of human life. It has been a main purpose in arranging this series to give it an authentic character. Each book will be from a recognized master of his theme. To secure this object, a committee of three of the most eminent scientific men of England, will decide upon the contributions to the series, and corresponding committees have been formed in Paris and Berlin to determine upon the French and German contributions. The following gentlemen have engaged to prepare volumes for the International Series: Dr. Wm. B. Carpenter, Prof. Tyndall, Prof. Huxley, Prof. Bernard, Herbert Spencer, Prof. Rudolph Virchow, Dr. Henry Maudsley, Mr. J. N. Lockyer, Prof. Huxley, Dr. Edward Smith, Dr. J. Rosenthal, Prof. A. de Quatrefages, Dr. H. C. Bastian, Dr. Balfour Stewart, Prof. Wundt, Walter Bagehot, Prof. Jevons, Professor Whitney, Dr. Michael Foster, Prof. A. C. Ramsey, H. Sainte-Claire Deville, Sir John Lubbock, Dr. Lauder Lindsay, Prof. W. K. Clifford, Dr. Daniel Dalton, Prof. Balfour Stewart, Prof. W. T. Thistleton Dyer, Prof. Bain, and Prof. W. Stanley Jevons. These gentlemen have taken their topics, and several of them are engaged on their works.

ROMANCE OF CRIME.

The Strange Story of Christina Edmunds---Her Love, Her Jealousy, and Her Crime.

London (Jan. 17) Correspondence of the New York Herald.

We have had another most remarkable and sensational trial at the Old Bailey, resulting, as did that of the Rev. Mr. Watson for the murder of his wife, in a sentence of death. But in this case the criminal was a lady of fashion, refinement, birth, and some considerable personal attractions.

Last summer this lady, Miss Christina Edmunds, was living with her widowed mother at Brighton, where she had resided for some years. The family had been in many respects an unfortunate one. The father of Miss Edmunds died in a lunatic asylum; her brother was epileptic, and also died in an asylum; her sister suffered from hysteria, and died at an early age; her grandfather on her mother's side died in a fit at the age of 83, and suffered from dementia many years before his death; her cousin on her mother's side was imbecile, and Miss Edmunds herself had suffered from hysteria, had been partially paralyzed, and occasionally walked in her sleep. Some months ago, by an unhappy fate, Miss Edmunds formed the acquaintance of one Dr. Beard, a physician of Brighton. Dr. Beard is married, but Miss Edmunds professed for him a violent passion. She claims now that he seduced her, and that at this moment she is pregnant by him. Be this as it may, she came to believe that Mrs. Beard stood in her way, and she seems to have resolved to remove her from the way. She called one day upon Mrs. Beard, and while sitting with her took from her pocket a paper box, and from the box a chocolate bon-bon which she placed in that lady's mouth. The bon-bon burned Mrs. Beard's mouth; it had a strong metallic taste, and she ejected it as soon as possible. Nevertheless she was taken ill, and suffered as if from the effects of some strong poison. She recovered, but not long afterwards she received a box containing cakes and sweetmeats, some of which were also poisoned. Dr. Beard now had an interview with Miss Edmunds, in which it appears he accused her of attempting to poison his wife. Thus far the case is not very strange,—women madly in love have sought to poison their rivals over since the world began, and I presume that Miss Edmunds is not the first woman of fiends. But now something very strange occurred. Part of the case is still wrapped in mystery, for upon the trial the testimony of Dr. Beard was not received for technical reasons. But it seems that Miss Edmunds was greatly hurt by what Dr. Beard had said to her, and that she devised a plan by which she might entrance him. She believed that she had succeeded in poisoning his wife. She had given her a poisoned bon-bon, it was true; but if she could show that poisoned bon-bons were to be had at the confectioner's in Brighton as a common thing, and that she had bought her own poisoned bon-bons at this shop, she could make a fair show of innocence. Her mind devised this scheme—she would herself poison a quantity of bon-bons exactly like those sold in the shop in question; she would contrive means to get these poisoned sweets mixed with others in the shop; people would buy them, and be poisoned; and then, she would say to Dr. Beard, "See, I am innocent! The poisoned bon-bon which I gave to your wife I innocently bought!" This sounds to me very much like the ravings and imaginations of a lunatic; to carry out the plan would be to bring about the death of an infinite number of people whom she did not know and against whom she had no hatred, but it matters not to her; all the children in Brighton might be killed with her poisoned candy, and she would rejoice if only thereby she could win her lover back to her. It was the woman's case of saving her own like; Dr. Beard had not threatened to prosecute her; he only cast her off, and was "cold" toward her because he believed she had tried to poison his wife. She must remove this belief at any cost.

Two things were necessary to be done, and both were difficult. She must procure the poison with which to dye known to procure it; and having possessed some bon-bons, she must get them mixed in with the other sweets at the confectioner's shop. To obtain the deadly ground some poison at a chemist's in Brighton, by representing herself as a Mrs. Wood, saying she wanted the strychnine to kill rats with, and bringing with her a tradesman of the name of Wood, to "identify" her. She forged a note purporting to be written by one chemist and addressed to another, stating that the first was out of strychnine, and requesting the other to send him some at once. She sent this note by a boy whom she picked up in the street; the unsuspecting chemist gave him the poison, and he took it to Miss Edmunds. She now had her poison; she went to the confectioner's, purchased a quantity of "chocolate-creams," and went home with them, where, as it is supposed, she impregnated them in some way not understood, with strychnine. It remained to convey these deadly sweets back to the shop. At first, it seems that she intended to accomplish this, and contented herself with pushing them about the town in a very promiscuous manner, but always in paper bags having the name and address of the confectioner. She left one of these bags in a stationer's shop, a boy found it, ate the bonbons, and was taken very ill, but did not die. She left another bag in another shop, and a similar result followed. Perhaps these were only experiments, to ascertain how much poison a "chocolate cream" could hold. At last, however, she matured her plans. One day she sallied out; she carried in her hand a paper bag containing "chocolate creams" fully impregnated with strychnine. She found a boy in the street; she gave him some money, and told him to go to the confectioner's and buy a quantity of "chocolate creams" of a certain description; he obeyed, and returned to her with the sweets, which were in a paper bag exactly like the one she carried in her muff. Turning her back to the boy for a moment, she exchanged the two bags, and then, handing the one containing the poisoned sweets to the boy, told him that he had made a mistake, and that he must take them back to the shop and exchange them for the same quantity of another kind. This was done—the poisoned sweets were crammed back among others, and were ready to be sold to the first comer. Miss Edmunds' messenger returned; she rewarded him for his trouble, and she went home to wait for results. Perhaps she wondered a little that night as to who her innocent victims were to be—and perhaps she felt a little idle pity for them. If so, it was said "that she must kill some little child or some young mother in order that her lover might not be won back to her; but all the children and all the mothers in Brighton must be killed sooner than her lover should not be won again. And thus she waited for results.

She had not long to wait. She had sent the poisoned creams to the shop on the 8th of June. On the 13th a man named Miller, who was in Brighton on a visit to his friends, went to this shop, bought some "chocolate creams," took them to his brother's house, and gave one of them to his little nephew, a child only 4 years old. In ten minutes the child began to cry; in twenty minutes more he died. Miss Edmunds had at last succeeded in sufficiently poisoning "chocolate creams."

This happened in June, but the prisoner was not taken into custody until the 26th of August last. All this while she was engaged in scattering poisoned "chocolate creams" about Brighton, in sending boxes of poisoned fruit to her friends, and in writing anonymous letters to the fathers of the murdered boy urging him to prosecute the confectioner for murder. Many of her victims were taken very ill, but no other deaths occurred; the "chocolate cream" business was broken up, and the confectioner destroyed all his stock; and finally, owing far more to the imprudence of Miss Edmunds than anything else, suspicion fell upon her, and she was arrested and indicted for the murder of the boy, for the attempt to murder Mrs. Beard and others, and for fraud and forgery. So violent was the prejudice against her in Brighton that a change of venue was granted; she was brought to London; and her trial, which lasted two days, ended last night in a verdict of guilty and a sentence of death.

The defence, also, was conducted by that able advocate, Mr. Sergeant Parry, appeared to me to be weak. It was simply that the woman was insane, and several doctors testified that in their opinion she was undermined mind. They admitted, however, that she knew right from wrong, and claimed only that she had "deficient moral sense." English juries listen to these pleas with great favor, and if a woman can show a person's "moral sense" is so "deficient" as to lead him to murder, that person must be hung. The presiding Judge was Mr. Baron Martins, and he was hard upon the prisoner's defence. He looked at her hard with much curiosity and pity upon the wretched woman, from time to time, during the trial. She is not a bad-looking person. A slightly made and pale-faced woman, she gives the idea that she has made her look older than she really is, and yet, without making such allowance, you would scarcely set her down as more than 30. The upper part of the face, with its high, narrow forehead, the hazel eyes, the fair brown hair, and clear, olive-colored complexion, is certainly not wanting in feminine beauty. The defect of the lower face lies in the mouth, which is full and thick-lipped, and in the somewhat heavy and protruding lower jaw. Whatever might be the objections to the face, there is not wanting, so far as expression goes, in either character or intelligence; and one could even fancy that when it is bright and animated, instead of being set and rigid, it might easily enough be deemed attractive. The prisoner was very simply dressed, wearing a black velvet mantle, with a small fur tippet round the neck; and the only noticeable peculiarity in her appearance was a large coronet of hair surmounting the smooth face. Throughout the first day she sat with her small, tightly-gloved hands folded across her knees, perfectly calm and self-possessed to all outward semblance, but yesterday her nervous excitement gave away, when her mother was on the witness-stand she sobbed and wept bitterly, and when one of the medical witnesses was giving some evidence in her favor she turned round and smiled upon him to speak. The jury retired at 5 o'clock, and at 8 returned with the fatal verdict of guilty. Mr. Watson's case there was a recommendation to mercy, but here no hint of such a thing. English juries are always very hard on women. [We published yesterday a full account of this case. After having been sentenced to be hanged Miss Edmunds asserted that she was quick with child, and a jury of matrons was impanelled, who, after examination, certified that the assertion was untrue—ED. TRIBUNE.]

The wretched woman this morning was removed to Sussex, where she will be hung. If Mr. Bruce, the Home Secretary, does not set his own judgment against that of the Judge and jury, the journals this morning demand that this shall be done. It is unusual in England for the verdict of a jury to be questioned; but this one is boldly questioned, and quite right it is that it should be so. If this unhappy woman is hung, English justice will be stained with indelible disgrace. Great efforts are being made to save Watson's life, because the excuse he is to offer is the woman's case seems to be far the most fitted for clemency. I am furnished with good reason, however, for thinking that both of them will be hung.

Death of the Last Survivor of the Battle of Lake Erie.

The Newport, Rhode Island, *Mercury*, in announcing the death, at Brooklyn, on Friday, Jan. 5, of Captain Thomas Brownell, United States Navy, in the 85th year of his age, adds the following:

By the death of this officer, we believe the last of the survivors of the battle of Lake Erie has gone to his final rest. In 1850 there were known to be eighteen living, but during the last eleven years they have dropped off, and now the last on the roll has finished his labors.

Captain Brownell was one of 150 Rhode Islanders who accompanied Commodore O. H. Perry to Lake Erie, having been previously employed as Master's Mate on board of the schooner Diligence, then commanded by Perry in this harbor in 1812. He assisted in the fitting the vessel for action on Lake Erie, and was promoted to Sailing Master, and in the battle was second in command of the schooner Ariel. Previous to the engagement he had seriously injured his leg, and went into battle on crutches, but soon threw them away and brought his vessel second in line. He performed his duty faithfully, and the following year was put in command of one of the vessels on the lake. After the war he was more active part with the land forces, and, being but 29 years of age, was enabled to withstand great hardships. He was often within the enemy's lines acting as spy, and never shirked duty. He saw the British flag pulled down seven times on the Canada frontier.

After peace he left the navy, and was engaged in the merchant service until 1840, when he again received his commission as Sailing Master in the navy, was promoted to Lieutenant in 1843, and had the supervision of building vessels. He performed this duty for seven years, and in 1855 was placed on the retired list. His commission as Captain is dated 1867.

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STATE LEGISLATURES.

Yesterday's Proceedings in the Illinois General Assembly.

Salaries of Several Cook County Officers Agreed Upon in the House.

Work in the Senate on the Road and Bridge Bill.

Unsuccessful Effort to Defeat the Section for Assessing Benefits.

Proceedings in Other State Legislatures.

ILLINOIS.

Special Despatch to The Chicago Tribune.

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SPRINGFIELD, Feb. 6.—Several persons are down here on behalf of the Chicago creditors of the Penitentiary. It is surprising after so much experience that these creditors have not learned that this undignified outside pressure hurts bills like this far more than it helps them.

FEES AND SALARIES.

There was not quite a quorum to-day in the House, but that did not interfere with the taking up of the Fees and Salaries bill and making some progress on it, though the entire forenoon was devoted to County Superintendents, for it is invariably the case that when members reassemble after adjournment, they spend the time in talking on the first unimportant question that comes up, thrice the time they give to far more important matters which may come up after they have been in session for a couple of weeks. Soon after the section in relation to the salary of County Commissioners was reached, and was discussed at great length. The bill proposed to give them not exceeding $500 a year. To this it was objected, that by the Constitution County Commissioners are to have no salaries. But this is an exceedingly forced construction, and would not have the support of the House; but another objection was made to the bill which is fatal, and that was that the pay of the Commissioners was fixed by the act creating the office, and cannot be changed in the form of office of members. Feeling its strength, the section was stricken out. It is hard to see where the pay of these Commissioners can be struck, unless a bill is passed providing that three years from the time of its passage the new rates of pay shall take effect. Amendments were made, supported only by Brayton, Egan, and Humphrey, to cut down the pay of the Clerk of the Circuit Court from $3,000 to $2,000, but they failed by much decided votes as 8 to 24, which show the amount of interest the House took in the matter. There was another contest on County Treasurer, which resulted in giving him $5,000 instead of $4,000 in the bill.

Mr. SPRINGER offered an amendment requiring the County Treasurer to pay into the Treasury interest on his deposits, but he withdrew it at the request of one of the Cook County members, who did not quite see what Sangamon County had to do with their affairs. The amendment was subsequently renewed, and was carried by the following vote—ayes, 31; nays, 25.

THE ROAD BILL.

The Senate was engaged on the Road bill all day, and after acting on a number of comparatively unimportant amendments, talked upon Strevel's proposition to strike out of the bill all in relation to assessing benefits, and to taking land for roads. The debate which followed showed that the Senate has not changed its position on the Bryant-Thomas question, and still believes in the principle of assessing benefits. Not over ten members can be found to support Strevel's proposition, which was, of course, defeated.

Regular Report of Proceedings.

SENATE.

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The Senate met at 10 a. m., Senator Sharpe presiding.

ABSENTEES.

With Leave—Allen, Early, Fuller, Marsh, Washburn, Woodard, Whiting.

Without Leave—Anderson, Anderson, Bangs, Bishop, Bowman, Bush, Epler, Figgs, Reddick, Wilkinson.

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The rules were suspended, and Senate Bill 340 (Roads and Bridges) was taken up, the question being upon concurring with the Committee in amendments to the bill, 37 in number.

Considerable discussion was had upon the amendment providing for the repeal of the act in question, and providing that in no case should an appeal be had.

Mr. NEWETT argued that appeals should be allowed in order that possible errors of Justices might be corrected.

Messrs. HUNTER and KERR also objected to the amendment.

Mr. UNDERWOOD argued in favor of the amendment, claiming that, if adopted it would lead to much delay in litigation.

Mr. VORIS defended the right of appeal.

The amendment failed to prevail.

Mr. VORIS offered an amendment providing that the Commissioner of Highways shall not, during the tenure of his office, be a member of the Town Board of Auditors, nor in any way be concerned in auditing their own accounts.

Adopted.

Mr. HUNTER moved to strike out all of the bill relating to poll tax, arguing its unconstitutionality. Lost.

Mr. MCNULTA moved to reconsider the vote adopting the report of the Committee, in order to allow an amendment to the bill wherein it prohibits appeals. Carried. Lost, and the amendment prohibiting appeals was lost.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

CONSIDERATION OF THE ROAD BILL RESUMED.

Consideration of the Road bill was resumed, and the amendments of the Committee concurred in.

Mr. STREVEL offered an amendment, striking out so much of Section 57 as provided for assessment of benefits, inserting in lieu, "And shall allow land-owners a just compensation for land taken or damages sustained," arguing that the Constitutional prohibited assessments for benefits. If land was taken, it should be paid for as provided in that instrument.

Mr. MOSES was of opinion that the bill was right, presenting his reasons at length, derived from experience in Chicago.

Mr. LOUDEMAN defended the principle as set forth in the bill.

Mr. KERR said the bill was in accordance with the sentiments heretofore advanced by this Senate, and unless good reason was shown for the adoption of a new rule he would support the bill as it stood.

Mr. UNDERWOOD supported the bill, citing various authorities in support of his position. He said the adoption of the amendment would be to the prejudice of the land-owner.

Mr. HAMPTON favored the provisions of the bill as against the proposed amendments.

Mr. MCNULTA favored the amendment.

Mr. LANGLEY argued against the amendment, saying that it did not go even as far as he would like to see it. The Legislature should provide for the way in which these benefits should be assessed.

Mr. VAN DORSTEN stated that what little experience he had gone through regarding roads led him to oppose the amendment. If the amendment was adopted, the whole county would be taxed to pay for land used for roads which benefited but a few individuals. He thought the spirit of honesty taken into consideration. He was satisfied it was the correct doctrine.

Mr. VORIS favored the amendment.

Mr. NICHOLSON moved to close the debate, which was carried.

Mr. KERR said that the question had been discussed, but its legal merits had been lost sight of, and that the equities laid with the bill against the amendment of Strevel. It was simply in line with the language of the Constitution was a specious argument, and that viewed it as an attempt to shirk the responsibility.

Mr. CRAWFORD said that under the operation of the bill land-owners would receive a just compensation. Therefore, it seemed to him unadvisable and the amendment was lost—yeas, 8; nays, 21—Messrs. Banghoe, Landrigan, McNulta, Richardson, Solomon, Strevell, Voris, voting aye.

Mr. KERR moved to strike out so much of the bill as authorized the condemnation of land for opening private roads.

The amendment was lost.

Adjourned.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

ELECTION BILL.

Certain amendments to the Election bill were reported by the Committee on that subject, and they were referred to the Committee of the Whole, where the bill lies.

BILL TO ALIENATE COMMONS.

The Senate bill to enable towns and cities to alienate commons was referred to a special Committee of the members from St. Clair and Randolph Counties.

LIENS, &C.

The chapters relative to liens and insolvent debtors were read the second time.

FEES AND SALARIES.

The Fees and Salaries bill was taken up in Committee of the Whole, and the section in reference to sheriff's fees, was passed to.

The next section, in relation to the fees of County Superintendents, was discussed at length, some seeking to strike out the entire instruments altogether, and others desiring to leave his pay to be fixed by the County Boards, while others argued that the compensation should be prescribed by law, the latter contending that the General Assembly must fix the pay, and could not delegate to County Boards the authority specially granted to it.

Mr. CUNNINGHAM, Mr. DANIELS, and others argued in favor of Mr. Cumming's amendment, which is in favor of the pay to the County Board.

Mr. CUMMINGS so modified his substitute as to give them $4 per day for every day designated by the Superintendent.

Mr. MILLER, of St. Clair, offered a substitute, classifying counties.

A motion to strike out the entire section was lost—ayes, 33; nays, 39.

Mr. Reed's substitute, paying certain classified salaries in lieu of all fees, was carried—ayes, 36; noes, 32.

Those in counties of the first class were given $5,000.

It was moved to give Superintendents in the second class counties $600.

Mr. SPRINGER moved to make it $1,200.

Second class were given $1,800, and third class $1,000.

The section as amended was lost.

Mr. RICE offered the original section, with a modification allowing County Boards to fix the number of days Superintendents should work, and giving $4 per day.

The section was adopted.

Mr. KING (Cook) moved an amendment that the County Superintendent of Cook County have $8 per day, the total salary not to exceed $3,000.

Mr. HUMPHREY opposed the amendments.

Messrs. KING (Cook) and MORRISON (Cook) thought the sum proposed was not too much.

The amendment was adopted.

The Committee rose.

ATTACHMENT BILL.

Mr. SPRINGER moved that the bill for attachment of assets belonging to foreigners be received from the Committee of the Whole and sent to a third reading.

The rules were not suspended.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

DRAINAGE BONDS.

The Senate bill for the registration of drainage bonds was made the special order for Thursday afternoon.

FEES AND SALARIES.

Consideration of the Fees and Salaries bill was resumed, and the sections relating to Notaries Public and arbitrators passed.

The next section gives County Commissioners $4 a day.

Mr. HALL moved to give them a mileage also.

Mr. KING (Cook) hoped the pay of Commissioners would not be lowered, and contrasted the present Board with other Boards of Supervisors.

Mr. HUMPHREY did not quite agree with him. The Commissioners at present got but $2 paid mileage, and he did not see why it should be increased. He wanted mileage for the benefit of county members. He did not think the new Board any more honest than the old ones.

Mr. MORRISON (Cook) stated his experience in the former section, holding that the County Board must itself fix the salaries of its members, as of other county officers.

Mr. PHELPS thought the section unconstitutional, since it altered the pay of County Commissioners during their term of office.

Mr. Hall's motion was carried.

The next section, giving the Clerks of the Circuit, County, and Superior Courts, and Treasurer and Recorder of Deeds $5,000 and Sheriff $5,000, was taken up.

Mr. BRAYTON moved to give the Clerk of Cook County $6,000, thinking, in the present condition of the county, that was quite enough.

Mr. KING (Cook) had talked with many tax-payers, who found no fault with the sum allowed in the bill.

Mr. ROOT also opposed the amendment. The amendment was lost.

Mr. EGAN moved to give the Clerk of Circuit Court $8,000.

Lost—yeas, 8; nays, 24.

Mr. EGAN moved to make it $3,500. Lost—yeas, 20; nays, 29.

Mr. BEAVER moved to give the Clerk of the Superior Court $3,000. Lost.

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Mr. WAITE favored Mr. Egan's amendment.

Mr. SPRINGER offered an proviso that the Treasurer should pay into the County Treasury all interest on deposits.

Mr. KING (Cook) hoped he would withdraw it, and let Cook County manage matters their own way.

Mr. SPRINGER withdrew it.

Mr. HUMPHREY supported Mr. Brayton's amendment. Bankers came and offered to go on County Treasurer's bond, put the Cashier in his office and paid the Treasurer a per centage on deposits at about 1 per cent a month.

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Mr. WAITE moved to give the Sheriff $6,000, since it was the office of great labor, responsibility and great danger. At the time of the fire there were 300 suits against him, and he would have to attend them all. He would make it for $8,000.

The amendment was carried—yeas, 32; nays, 11.

Mr. MORRISON (Cook) moved to give the Coroner $3,500. Carried.

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Mr. WAITE offered an amendment to provide that that portion of the balance of fees of the County Clerk's office above his salary, which he got from Chicago taxes, should go into the City and not into the County Treasury. Amendment adopted.

Mr. SPRINGER offered an amendment requiring of the County Treasurer an account of interest received and remitted by him.

Mr. KING (Cook) did not think the amendment necessary.

Mr. Springer's amendment was carried—yeas, 34; nays, 12.

The Section fixing fees of Clerks of Courts of Record in Cook County was passed. This compels plaintiff to pay six dollars in full of all costs, and defendant one dollar and fifty cents.

Fees of other officers were generally adopted.

Mr. MILLER (Kane) offered a substitute for the clause in relation to township Collector, providing therein that on all sums collected within his township he shall have one per cent on all collected, and on all sums paid thereafter five per cent to be paid to the latter.

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As Investigation Demanded.

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Funeral Obsequies of the Late General Robert Anderson.

FORTRESS MONROE, Feb. 6.—The United States steamer Courtland arrived here this morning, and the obsequies of the late General Anderson took place here to-day. Rear Admiral S. Davis Sands, the Marine Corps, and many officers from Norfolk Navy Yard participated. The body of General Anderson was landed at the wharf at this afternoon with naval honors, minute guns being fired from the ship. When the body reached the wharf, fifteen minute guns were fired from the fort. The remains were carried to the General Barry, who formed a procession and escorted them with arms reversed, and the marching dirge played by the bands, where they were deposited in the chapel under a guard of honor.

Watertown (Mass.) Live Stock Market.

WATERTOWN (Mass.), Feb. 6.—Beef Cattle—Receipts, 661 head; demand steady; prices firm, at last week's quotations. Sales, choice at $11 1/2@12; fair to extra, $9 3/4@11; first quality, $8 3/4@9.00; second, $7 3/4@8; third, $6 75@6 75.

Sheep and lambs—Receipts, 4,446 head; demand moderate; prices unchanged. Sales in lots at $2 50@5.00; extra, $6 50@6.75.

PERILS OF THE ICE.

Two Girls Drowned in the Ohio River.

From the Cincinnati Gazette, Feb. 5.

About 7 o'clock last evening, a party, composed of Mr. John Daly, his nephew, and the Misses Daly's two sisters, Mary and Kate, aged respectively 18 and 20, started from Newport to cross the river on the ice.

Mr. Daly lives in Fulton, and the girls were employed as servants in a family residing on Walnut Hills.

In consequence of the warm weather during the past few days, the ice was in a very weak condition, and was perforated in a number of places by what is popularly termed "air holes." Combined with the known danger of venturing on the river was the darkness of the night, so profound that it was impossible to see more than a few paces in advance.

As our reporter was informed, parties on the levee at Newport remonstrated with them, representing the danger they incurred; but, persisting in their determination, they ventured on the fatal ice, and were soon lost to the sight of those who had warned them.

After several narrow escapes from falling into the numerous holes which lay in their path, they approached the shore at the foot of Ludlow street. When within fifteen feet of the margin, they came upon a tract of ice which had been worn away by the action of the water until it was not more than an inch in thickness. This frail support gave way under their combined weight, and they were precipitated into the icy water.

Two young men, named Joseph Burt and George Hopp, were sitting in a room in the third story of one of the buildings looking out upon the river, when the shrieks of the girls, coming up out of the darkness, and developed the scene, startled them into instant action. Hastily throwing on their coats, they ran down stairs and out upon the levee, where they met Mr. Daly's nephew rushing wildly about, half crazed by the fearful event, calling frantically for a ladder.

He had been a few feet in advance of the other members of the party, and had succeeded in reaching the shore without accident.

Burt and Hopp ran down to the water's edge, and looking out saw Mr. Daly standing in the water, which at that point was not more than five feet in depth. The girls had disappeared. The watchman of ——— rock stood on the bank with a pole in his hand, but made no effort to rescue them in perilled parties. Being perfectly willing, however, to incite others to good deeds, as the young man approached him he pushed him into the water with some words of encouragement. Hopp waded in beside his friend, and, taking off his coat, threw it toward Daly, who grasped it, and was drawn ashore.

At this moment the girls reappeared on the surface, clasped in each other's arms, but before assistance could reach them, they sank and were seen no more.

Search was immediately set the bodies in the immediate vicinity of the accident until a late hour last night, but without success.

A few feet below the point where the girls were drowned, on shore makes sharply into the river, deflecting the current outward. The bodies were probably carried out into the river under the ice by the current, and may not be found until the ice breaks up.

A Cheap Cement.

Mr. F. B. Miles informs the *Journal* of the Franklin Institute that Spanish engineers successfully use ordinary brickdust, made from hard-burned, finely pulverized bricks, and mixed with common lime and sand, as a substitute for hydraulic cement. The proportions used in general practice are one of brickdust, one of lime, and two of stone, mixed dry and tempered with water in the usual way. Mr. Miles has tested the cement during six years' experience, and found it as perfect as the best Rosendale cement. In this country he shall have one per cent on all collected, and on all sums paid thereafter five per cent to be paid to the latter.

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DIED.

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